

Gideon Leads to Victory

Judges 7: 1-25

1. vv.1-8. Who is sent home and why? Why did God want to reduce the size of Gideon's army?

2. vv.1-8. "You have too many men for me to deliver..." (v.2). How does this principle shed light on how God has worked in your life? (cf. 2 Cor.12:7-9). What do you tend to "boast" in?

3. vv.8-15. Why does God send Gideon into the Midianites' camp? List all the things this incident tells us about

a) about God, and

b) about us?

4. What do you need assurance about? [Or what lessons do you need God to tell you over and over?] How does God assure and teach you?

5. vv. 15-25. What did Gideon's battle plan have going for it? Where does the strategy for the "surprise attack" come from? How does the strategy that was chosen fulfill the dream of the barley loaf?

6. Where are you feeling "outnumbered"? or in need of some intervention?

How can you:

a) accept the limits God has given you, and

b) accept that 'God's power is made perfect in weakness'? Can you ask the group to join you in your "battle" by praying for you?

7. Think back over all of Chapters 6 and 7. Make a list of everything God had to expose Gideon to in order to help him reach his potential as a leader.