



Moral Mayhem – Part 7

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Judges 6-8

In those days there was no king in Israel; everyone did what was right in their own eyes.
(Judges 21:25)

GIDEON Part 1 Review

We asked the question: What kind of person do YOU want to be?

We prayed the prayer: God, what would an extraordinary person do – if they were confident that God was:

- WITH them
- IN them
- FOR them

LESSONS FROM GIDEON

1. JUST BECAUSE YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, DOESN'T MEAN YOU'RE DISOBEDIENT.

Then Gideon said to God, "If you will deliver Israel by my hand, as you said, I will put a wool fleece here on the threshing floor. If dew is only on the fleece, and all the ground is dry, I will know that you will deliver Israel by my strength, as you said."
(Judges 6:36-37)

2. GOD IS CONSTANTLY POSITIONING YOU FOR HIS GLORY.

The Lord said to Gideon, "You have too many troops for me to hand the Midianites over to them, or else Israel might elevate themselves over me and say, 'My own strength saved me.'" (Judges 7:2)

3. IF GOD CONFIRMS, YOU HAVE TO ACT.

That night the Lord said to him, "Get up and attack the camp, for I have handed it over to you. But if you are afraid to attack the camp, go down with Purah your servant. Listen to what they say, and then you will be encouraged to attack the camp. (Judges 7:9-11a)

His friend answered: "This is nothing less than the sword of Gideon son of Joash, the Israelite. God has handed the entire Midianite camp over to him." When Gideon heard the account of the dream and its interpretation, he bowed in worship. He returned to Israel's camp and said, "Get up, for the Lord has handed the Midianite camp over to you." (Judges 7:14-15)

4. YOUR SPIRITUAL LEGACY IS DECIDED BY THE NEXT GENERATION.

So Midian was subdued before the Israelites, and they were no longer a threat. The land had peace for forty years during the days of Gideon. (Judges 8:28)

The Israelites did not remember the Lord their God who had rescued them from the hand of the enemies around them. (Judges 8:34)

The whole generation was also gathered to their ancestors. After them another generation rose up who did not know the Lord or the works he had done for Israel. The Israelites did what was evil in the Lord's sight. (Judges 2:10-11)