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Our mission is to help people **Come** to know Jesus as Savior, **Grow** in a relationship with Him, and **Live** their lives for Him. God loves you and we pray that during the worship service you will be able to connect with Him through song, scripture, and the message.

Sunday, February 25, 2024

Sermon Series: Gideon: God Uses Wimps

Sermon Title: Shame on You; Shame on Me

Scripture: Judges 6:11-16

Speaker: Pastor Kendall Harger

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Sermon Notes
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Shame on You; Shame on Me

Big Idea

When I focus on my weakness, I miss God's strength.

Judges 6:11-16

Judges 6:15

"But Lord," Gideon replied, "how can I rescue Israel? My clan is the weakest in the whole tribe of Manasseh, and I am the least in my entire family!"

Have you ever felt like:

"Lord, you have the wrong person"

or:

"I'm not going to volunteer. I don't want to mess up"?

Self-condemnation is blaming yourself after you have failed to do or be something you know you should do or be. Instead of responding to conviction with confession, repentance, and being empowered by the grace of God, self-condemners choose to heap condemnation on themselves.

-Adapted by Kaylee Freeman

Romans 8:1-2

So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus. And because you belong to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death.

What do we need when we have failed to do or be something we know we should have done or been? What should we do when we've blown it really bad?

1. Ask for forgiveness: We need to go to Christ for forgiveness. We may at times forget, or maybe we never knew, we don't have the authority to forgive ourselves. Only God has the authority to forgive us and if He forgives us in Christ then we are forgiven!
 2. Go to Jesus: Confess, receive, then move on.
 3. If we have hurt someone, it's conversation time: No one is perfect!
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Sermon Questions

Ice Breaker: What are some of your fears that seem irrational? Why do those things scare you?

1. Share a memorable point, a spiritual lesson, a personal application, a question, or something that challenged you from the sermon last Sunday.
2. Read Judges 6:11–16. Why was Gideon hiding in the winepress? What's ironic about how the angel of God addresses Gideon?
3. What does it say about God that he'd call Gideon by a name that didn't match his actions?
4. What might be different about your life if you always obeyed God immediately without giving excuses?
5. Read Romans 8:1-2. What does being "in Christ Jesus" have to do with our not being condemned?
6. If there is really no condemnation, how should we deal with our sin as Christians? See Romans 6:1-3, 12-18. How does this help us in the battle against sin?
7. What could you say to someone who is struggling with guilt or a sense of shame? (Could you say that same thing to yourself when you struggle with shame?)
8. Read 1 John 3:20. How does understanding that God is greater than our hearts help in dealing with personal failure and guilt?