

*“Breakthrough” Message Series*

**Breakthrough Overwhelming Odds**

Judges 6 & 7 (page 238)  
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1. God calls an unlikely \_\_\_\_\_.

a. Know God is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

*“When the angel of the Lord appeared to Gideon, he said, “The Lord is with you, mighty warrior.”*

*Judges 6:12*

b. Know your \_\_\_\_\_.

*“The Lord turned to him and said, “Go in the strength you have and save Israel out of Midian’s hand. Am I not sending you?”*

*Judges 6:14*

c. Have an \_\_\_\_\_ devoted to God.

*“Then build a proper kind of altar to the Lord your God. . . .”*

*Judges 6:26a*

2. God selects an unlikely \_\_\_\_\_.

*“The Lord said to Gideon, “You have too many men for me to deliver Midian into their hands. In order that Israel may not boast against me that her own strength has saved her.”*

*Judges 7:2*

*“But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. <sup>28</sup> He chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are, <sup>29</sup> so that no one may boast before him.”*

*1 Corinthians 1:27-29*

3. God uses an unlikely \_\_\_\_\_.

*“Dividing the three hundred men into three companies, he placed trumpets and empty jars in the hands of all of them, with torches inside.”*

*Judges 7:16*

*“Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God’s wrath, for it is written: “It is mine to avenge; I will repay,” says the Lord. <sup>20</sup> On the contrary:*

*“If your enemy is hungry, feed him;  
if he is thirsty, give him something to drink.*

*In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head.”*

*<sup>21</sup> Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.*

*Romans 12:19-21*

**For Reflection/Small Group Discussion**

Where do you feel you are facing an overwhelming challenge in your life?

What will help you to discern where God is at work in this?

Are you clear on your identity and purpose in Christ?

On a scale of 1 to 10, how much of an undivided heart for God do you have?

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