

MANO 

[GIDEON : SESSION 4 : FIGHT LIKE HELL]

I AM A MAN.

**God has called me, gifted me,
empowered me, and positioned
me to lead myself, my family,
& my community.**

TODAY I CHOOSE TO . . .

- Cry Out**
- Destroy the Lie**
- Believe the Truth**
- Fight like Hell**
- Finish Strong**

FIGHT LIKE HELL.

Judges

^{7:8} The Midianite camp was in the valley just below Gideon.

⁹ That night the LORD said, “**Get up! Go down into the Midianite camp, for I have given you victory over them!**”

Fight with GOD.

¹⁰ But if you are afraid to attack, go down to the camp with your servant Purah. ¹¹ Listen to what the Midianites are saying, and you will be **greatly encouraged**. Then you will be eager to attack.” So Gideon took Purah and went down to the edge of the enemy camp. ¹² The armies of Midian, Amalek, and the people of the east had settled in the valley like a swarm of locusts. Their camels were like grains of sand on the seashore - too many to count!

¹³ Gideon crept up just as a man was telling his companion about a dream. The man said, “I had this dream, and in my dream a loaf of barley bread came tumbling down into the Midianite camp. It hit a tent, turned it over, and knocked it flat!” ¹⁴ His companion answered, “Your dream can mean only one thing - **God has given Gideon** son of Joash, the Israelite, **victory over Midian** and all its allies!”

¹⁵ When Gideon heard the dream and its interpretation, he **bowed in worship** before the LORD. Then he returned to the Israelite camp and shouted, “**Get up! For the LORD has given you victory over the Midianite hordes!**”

Fight with COURAGE.

**TRUTH :: Confidence is based on ME,
courage is based on GOD.**

¹⁶ He divided the 300 men into three groups and gave each man a ram's horn and a clay jar with a torch in it.

¹⁷ Then he said to them, "**Keep your eyes on me.**

When I come to the edge of the camp, do just as I do."

Fight with FRIENDS.

Q : Who are you "fighting with?"

¹⁸ "As soon as I and those with me blow the rams' horns, blow your horns, too, all around the entire camp, and shout, '**For the LORD and for Gideon!**'" ¹⁹ It was just after midnight, after the changing of the guard, when Gideon and the 100 men with him reached the edge of the Midianite camp. Suddenly, they blew the rams' horns and broke their clay jars.

²⁰ Then all three groups blew their horns and broke their jars. They held the blazing torches in their left hands and the horns in their right hands, and they all shouted, "**A sword for the LORD and for Gideon!**"

TRUTH :: You can't win a SUPERNATURAL fight with NATURAL weapons.

²¹ **Each man stood at his position** around the camp and watched as all the Midianites rushed around in a panic, shouting as they ran to escape. ²² When the 300 Israelites blew their rams' horns, **the LORD caused** the warriors in the camp to fight against each other with their swords. Those who were not killed fled to places far away. ²³ Then Gideon sent for the warriors of Naphtali, Asher, and Manasseh, who joined in chasing the army of Midian.

^{8:4} Gideon then crossed the Jordan River with his 300 men, and though exhausted, they **continued to chase the enemy.**

Fight like HELL.

Q : Are you in YOUR position?

Questions and Actions.

Q :: **WHERE** is God calling you to fight and
WHY is it hard to go there?

Q :: **WHO** are you “fighting with” and
HOW can you strengthen each other?

Q :: **WHEN** are you most tempted to quit and
WHAT can you do to stay in the fight?

Prayer :: “MIGHTY GOD is alive and active in me today.
I will stand in my place and fight with courage and will
lead others to do the same. My family and friends will
walk in victory, because God has defeated our enemy.”

Action :: commit to a weekly place of **worship and
community** and get in your place.

Notes.