

WEDNESDAY EVENING AT BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH

Title: God Can!

Passage: Judges 6:1-10

Speaker: Associate Pastor David Wood

Introduction: This story is one of the most powerful in all of Scripture. It begins at a time when Israel was broken, hiding, and hopeless—when the enemy seemed too strong, and the people too weak. Yet even in the darkest moment, God was still at work. Through the life of a man named Gideon, God reminded His people—and still reminds us today—that He is able to do the impossible. From a winepress to the battlefield, from fear to faith, this story shouts one clear truth: GOD CAN! The Bible is exciting! And there are three powerful truths that God wants to remind our hearts of tonight.

I. God Can Forgive Any Sin

"Who is a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth in mercy." (Micah 7:18)

Our worst sin doesn't cancel God's mercy. God confronts us to restore us, not to reject us.

"Show me your friends and I'll show you your future." - Unknown

How long will you wait to deal with your sin? The Lord is ready and willing to forgive.

What love could remember no wrongs we have done Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum



Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam What Father, so tender, is calling us home He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What riches of kindness He lavished on us His blood was the payment, His life was the cost We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more Stronger than darkness, new every morn Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

II. God Can Use Any Person

God doesn't wait until you're ready—He works through your willingness.

"Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it." (1 Thessalonians 5:24)

Gideon simply said yes to God and then God brought instruction, assurance, and ability where there was none before.

"And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness..." (2 Corinthians 12:9)

III. God Can Overcome Any Situation

God often removes our resources to remind us that He is our source.

"Sometimes God puts us on our back so we have no place to look except up." - Unknown

Trust God and follow Him even in the darkness and you will come out the other side victorious.



"Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded." (James 4:8)

Although the battle may seem hopeless, it's not—because the same God who defeated Midian is still on the throne.

"Is anything too hard for the LORD?" (Genesis 18:14)

Conclusion: From the failure of sin to the fear of inadequacy to the impossibility of the situation, God can. He can redeem the past, use what feels broken, and bring victory where defeat seems certain. No matter the age, whether 8 or 88, God isn't asking for strength; He's looking for faith. So come out of hiding. Tear down the idols. Lift the torch high. Because God can. Just trust Him.