



Main Scripture: Hebrews 11:32-33a  
Judges 6-8

We can have faith in the goodness of God to transform our perspective and empower us to:

**Overcome challenges**  
(Judg 6:11-12)

**Act with courage**  
(Judg 7:2, 8:28)

**Listen for God's guiding**

## Gideon's Faith

God allows oppression to discipline His people.

God hears their cries and He will deliver them from evil. (Judges 6:11-12)

God chooses Gideon even though he is very flawed and afraid. (Judges 6:14, 22-24a, 7:2, 4)

God invites Gideon's obedience in ways that don't make human sense so that God is the Hero and the Deliverer. (Judges 7:13-14)

God wins an amazing victory and Gideon doesn't even swing a sword. God is the Hero!

God gave freedom to His people for 40 years through Gideon's faith and action.

# “Gideon - Faith In The Goodness of God”

April 30 & May 1, 2022

The Small Group Sermon Study

Hebrews 11:32-33a, Judges 6-8



**Opening Prayer:** *Father, we thank You for all You have done for us. We pray in Jesus' name that You would work in our hearts and minds today. Holy Spirit, we invite You into this place today as we read and discuss God's Word.*

1. What did you like and appreciate about this message?
2. What was something that you learned from this message?
3. Read the key passage(s) of Scripture from the message and review the sermon notes, then answer the following questions:
  - a. Gideon is full of doubts and disbelief about God. Have you ever felt this way before in your own spiritual walk? Have you ever felt as though God has forgotten you?
  - b. Pastor Craig tells us that, “Gideon’s faith in the goodness of God transforms his perspective to empower him for the rest of what’s ahead.” How have you seen the faith of your small group members, in the goodness of God, empower you for the kingdom?
  - c. Pastor Craig makes the statement, “Just like Gideon we have our own pardon me Lord things we say to God.” How can the knowledge that no matter what you feel about yourself, God is always with you and sees you as precious to Him, continue to help you grow in your faith?
  - d. What can you do to help your faith to continue to grow, through following the Bible’s direction rather than following your own truth?
  - e. How can you and your small group go out and positively impact the people around you? What are some things that could be potential barriers to you going out to positively impact those around you?
  - f. How could you, as a group, point to God as the hero, and not yourselves?

**Silently re-read the key Scripture(s) from the message, asking the Holy Spirit to speak to you.**

1. What emotions does this passage or key theme bring up in your heart? How will you manage those emotions as you carry on through your week?
2. What do you need to surrender to Jesus? How will you respond to what Jesus is showing you?
3. What word, phrase, verse or challenge do you need to take with you this week? How will you act on what you’ve heard?

Prayer: Spend some time praying for one another (that we would continue to build our faith in the goodness of God and His transforming power in our lives).