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Entering More Deeply into God's Story

Judges 6-8

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For you to respond wholeheartedly

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¹ The Israelites did evil in the eyes of the Lord, and for seven years he gave them into the hands of the Midianites. ² Because the power of Midian was so oppressive, the Israelites prepared shelters for themselves in mountain clefts, caves and strongholds. ³ Whenever the Israelites planted their crops, the Midianites, Amalekites and other eastern peoples invaded the country. ⁴ They camped on the land and ruined the crops all the way to Gaza and did not spare a living thing for Israel, neither sheep nor cattle nor donkeys. ⁵ They came up with their livestock and their tents like swarms of locusts. It was impossible to count them or their camels; they invaded the land to ravage it. ⁶ Midian so impoverished the Israelites that they cried out to the Lord for help.

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People's suffering causes them to cry out to God

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⁷ When the Israelites cried out to the Lord because of Midian, ⁸ he sent them a prophet, who said, "This is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: I brought you up out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. ⁹ I rescued you from the hand of the Egyptians. And I delivered you from the hand of all your oppressors; I drove them out before you and gave you their land. ¹⁰ I said to you, 'I am the Lord your God; do not worship the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you live.' But you have not listened to me."

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God's answers for deliverance often involve an invitation to someone to be part of the answer

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**In a world of suffering, God chooses people to be involved
with him in the work of answering people's prayers**

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Who in your life is crying out for deliverance?

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God says he's
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Helen Maroulis getting defeated in 2012 Olympic Trials

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God's
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Gideon

God
accommodates
His growth plan to
Gideon's
weaknesses

A person in silhouette stands in the foreground, looking out over a vast, layered mountain range under a clear sky. The scene is bathed in a soft, blue light, suggesting dawn or dusk. The mountains are rugged and layered, creating a sense of depth and scale. The person's silhouette is centered in the lower half of the frame, providing a point of perspective for the viewer.

What does God see about your true self?

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Don't shy away
from the deep
questions of your
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Turn your
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prayer

God has
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Hudson Taylor

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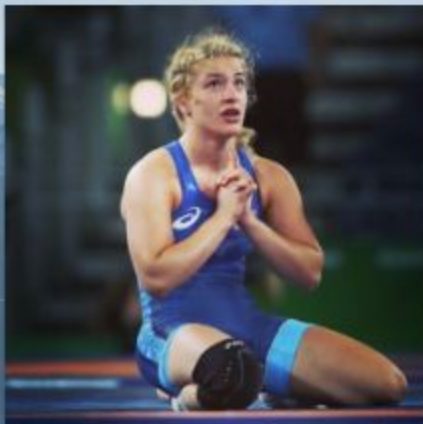
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mehmetadettli Good luck 🙏🙏🙏🙏

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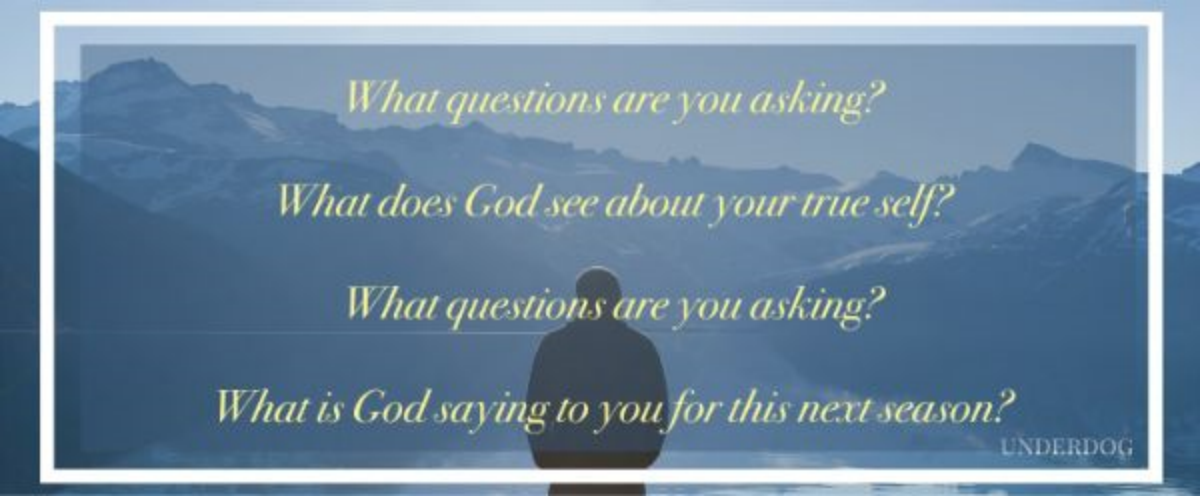
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