

(1) 6:1-11 → God's \_\_\_\_\_ and Israel's \_\_\_\_\_

(2) 6:12-32 → God's \_\_\_\_\_ and Gideon's \_\_\_\_\_

**Conclusion:** And as those who live on this side of the cross, we know there is only one Mighty Man of valor. He became dust like us, but he never failed. He perfectly accomplished all the Father asked him to do. He truly saved God's people from our enemies. And because of Him, we are being transformed into mighty men and women of valor. Take comfort. God is at work no matter how weak our faith is.

- (1) **Read Judg. 6:1-5.** In what ways did Midian oppress Israel? How are Christians today oppressed?
- (2) **Read Judg. 6:6-10.** In your own words, describe the difference between regret and repentance?
- (3) How has God used another Christian or a sermon to meaningfully speak to you in the midst of your suffering?
- (4) **Read Judg. 6:11-14.** How is Gideon's response to the angel of the Lord ("Why has all this happened...where are God's wonderful deeds...God has forsaken us") answered by God's prophet in v8-10?
- (5) In v14 the angel of the Lord commissioned Gideon to save Israel "in this might of yours", but Gideon objected based on his own personal weakness and inability. Given the context of Gideon's call, what is the "might" the Lord was speaking about? (**Hints: Read v12, 16; Judg. 2:18**)?
- (6) **Read Judg. 6:17-24.** What sign did Gideon receive to show that it was really God speaking to him and calling him to save Israel?
- (7) **Read Matt. 28:18-20.** How can the reality of question #5 help us with the call and commission God has given us?
- (8) In v27, Gideon was afraid of his family and townspeople, so he tore down his father's idols at night. What might Gideon's boldness in smashing his father's idols say about our bold witness to our immediate family members?