## The Oaks Community Church Worship Guide



## I. A Call to Worship

I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth"

Psalm 34:1(NKJV)

## II. Family Confession & Greeting

At The Oaks we believe in the distinct personhood and unique ministry of the 3rd person of The Holy Trinity - The Holy Spirit. We confess together He is:

The Spirit of Affirmation

The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

Romans 8:16 (NIV)

## III. Worshipping God Through Our Offerings

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

II Corinthians 9:6-8 (NIV)



IV.

Knowing Jehovah Shalom in Extreme Battles
Judges 7 & 8
Pastor Gary Barber

That's when Gideon realized that this had been the Messenger of Yahweh [Jehovah]. So he said, "Adonay Yahweh [Jehovah]! I have seen the Messenger of Yahweh [Jehovah] face to face." Yahweh [Jehovah] said to him, "Calm down! Don't be afraid. You will not die." So Gideon built an altar there to Yahweh [Jehovah] Shalom.

Judges 6:22-24a (NOG)

Shalom = Peace, Wholeness, Health, Prosperity, Completeness, Well-being [that provides stillness & rest]

Review – Jehovah Shalom in the challenges of life.

- Jehovah Shalom helps us in family conflict Judges 6:25-32
- Jehovah Shalom gives us assurance to do tough things Judges 6:33-40
- 1. Jehovah Shalom often reduces us before we are able to overcome in extreme battles Judges 7:1-8

The Lord said to Gideon, "You have too many men. I cannot deliver Midian into their hands, or Israel would boast against me, 'My own strength has saved me."

Judges 7:2 (NIV)

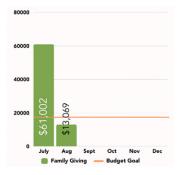
- > II Corinthians 12:9, 10
- 2. Jehovah Shalom works in the invisible realm so we can overcome Judges 7:9-15
- > Romans 8:31, 32
- 3. Jehovah Shalom will give us creative ideas and wisdom to overcome in extreme battles Judges 7:16-22
- 4. Jehovah Shalom gives us unexpected help to reinforce us Judges 7:23-25
- 5. Jehovah Shalom gives us courage, stamina, and perseverance to overcome Judges 8:1-21

Gideon and his three hundred men, exhausted yet keeping up the pursuit, came to the Jordan and crossed it.

Judges 8:4 (NIV)

And what more shall I say? I do not have time to tell about Gideon... whose weakness was turned to strength; and who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies. Hebrews 11:32a, 34b (NIV)

Prayer, Reflection, Application



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