



## THE CALL OF GIDEON Judges 6:11-24

### INTRODUCTION

Gideon - name means, *“He who cuts down”*.

#### I. GIDEON’S CIRCUMSTANCES - v. 11

- It Was A Time Of Poverty – v. 4-6
- It Was A Time Of Persecution
- It Was A Time Of Powerlessness

#### II. GIDEON’S COMMISSION - v. 12

In verse 13, the angel is called *“Lord”*.

- God’s Promise – The *“angel of the Lord”* appears to Gideon and says, *“The Lord is with thee”*.

*“Theophany”* - an appearance of God in a visible form.

*“Christophany”* – an appearance of Christ in OT.

Some of those OT appearances of the Lord Jesus Christ:

- To Adam in Eden – Gen. 3:8
- To Abraham at his tent door – Gen. 18
- To Hagar in the wilderness – Gen. 16
- He appeared to Jacob at the River Jabbok – Gen. 32
- To Moses in the burning bush – Ex. 3
- To Balaam – Num. 22
- To Joshua at Jericho – Josh. 5:13-15
- To the parents of Samson – Judges 13

Heb. 13:5; Matt. 28:20; John 14:17-18

- God's Perception

Lord calls Gideon "*a mighty man of valor*"

The phrase the Lord used literally refers to "*a man who is charging right into the face of the enemy.*"

Did you know that the Lord knows you?

He knows you far better than you even know yourself.

Psa. 139; Heb. 4:13; 1 Sam. 16:7

### III. GIDEON'S CONFUSION - v. 13-16

- He Questions God's Presence – v. 13a
- He Questions God's Performance – v. 13b
- He Questions God's Perception – v. 14-15

### IV. GIDEON'S CONFIRMATION - v. 16-24

- He Is Confirmed By A Presentation – v. 18-21
- He Is Confirmed By A Promise – v. 22-24