

Community Group Discussion Questions

“Keeping it 300” Judges 7:1-22 August 4, 2018 Drew Worsham

Getting Started

“God desires to use our weakness, our faltering faith, our reluctant obedience and our availability more than He desires to use our strength, our talents, our confidence and our abilities.”

What is your response to this quote? Where have you seen God do this very thing?

Going Deeper

1. God turns set backs into strengths [Judges 7:1-7]

v.7 “You have too many men...”

God wants to use us in the places where we are the weakest. We will never know that God is all we need until He is all we have. “God uses men who are weak and feeble enough to lean on Him.” - Hudson Taylor

Everyone knows that when you go into battle, you want to have overwhelming forces against your enemy. What we often forget is that our overwhelming forces are not our personal strengths and abilities, but God’s working for us and in us. Share with us about a time when God had to strip away your strength to show you His overwhelming power.

2. God turns a little into a lot. [Judges 7:9-14]

v.10 “If you are afraid...”

God patiently deals with faltering faith.

Mark 9:22-25 “I believe, help my unbelief”

“God isn’t looking for people of great faith, but for individuals ready to follow Him.” -Hudson Taylor

When we are faced with daunting tasks, it is natural to be afraid. But again, that is typically because we are looking at it through what only we can bring to the effort. How often we forget that the One we follow is King of Heaven and Earth! When you are fearful in the future, how can you pray to remind yourself of this?

3. God turns submission into a sword. [Judges 7:15-18]

v.15 "Get up! The Lord has given the Midianite camp into your hands."

God uses Obedience & faith more than strength & abilities

Are you walking in humility and dependence?

"There are three stages to every great work of God; first it is impossible, then it is difficult, then it is done." -Hudson Taylor

Gideon's 'army' goes into battle with pots and trumpets, but no weapons. God's battle plan didn't make sense by human wisdom, but it was so clever that it perfectly terrified and confused the enemy. Why does obeying God and trusting in His way seem so hard for you? Do you have a story like this where God came through and wiped out an impossible situation for you?

4. God turns our stepping up, into His showing off. [Judges 7:19-22]

v.22 "the Lord caused the men throughout the camp to turn on each other with swords..."

Success means joining Jesus wherever He is.

God has not called you to something that you can accomplish on your own.

"All God's giants have been weak men who did great things for God because they reckoned on God being with them." - Hudson Taylor

What great thing is God calling you to? Where do you feel hopelessly outnumbered and outmaneuvered, yet confident that God will come through for you?

Take Away: It just may be God's loving-kindness and grace that He would enter into our lives and remove all the crutches that we place our confidence and security in so that we would become wholly and fully dependent on Him alone. Because then and only then can we experience the fullness of His strength and His victory in our lives.

Prayer Requests