# THE LIFE OF GIDEON

## 7. Gideon's Victory



### Introduction

At last Gideon and his army are ready for battle! Their victory is an exciting story and is often told as a children's story, but the lessons we learn can apply to both young and old.

Scripture Reading: Judges 7:8-14 and 7:15-23

- 1. Further Encouragement Judges 7:8-14
- Why did God tell Gideon and his servant, Purah, to go down to the enemy camp? v9-10
- What can we learn about God from this incident?
- Share a time when God encouraged you in the midst of a seemingly impossible situation.

#### 2. Final Victory Judges 7:15-23

- Description What impact did this dream have on Gideon? v15
- List the 'battle plans' that Gideon instructed his men to follow in v17-20.
- What lessons can we learn from Gideon's victory that will help us in spiritual warfare? Ask everyone to read v15-23 again and meditate on them for a few minutes before sharing.
- $\square$  What affect did all these things have on the enemy? v21, 22
- Description what lessons have you learnt from the life of Gideon that will help you in your spiritual life? Share.

## **Conclusion**

Jesus said that the enemy has come to kill, steal and destroy. This is what Israel's enemies were doing in the time of Gideon. This is not God's will for His people. Jesus came so that we could have life and live in victory. Just as God assured Gideon again and again that He was with him, He gives us the same assurance. "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you. The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid."

#### Scripture Memory

Here is a verse to memorize from Ephesians 3:20

"Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us."

