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Extend the Kingdom

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21 Great Saints

WHAT KIND OF PERSON DOES GOD USE TO MAKE AN IMPACT
ON A DEGENERATING SOCIETY?

....Imitate their faith ([Hebrews 13:7](#))

GIDEON: RISING TO THE CHALLENGE

I. The Period of the Judges ([Judges 2:10-19](#))

"Moral Relativism" -- No absolutes!

Every man did what was right in his own eyes ([Judges 21:25](#))

II. The Midianite Invasion ([Judges 6:1-10](#))

*A 7 year siege due to Israel's disobedience.

III. Gideon: God's Man for the Hour ([Judges 6:11-16](#))

*A least likely to succeed candidate

**"The truest thing about you is what God says about you"

IV. Faith builders

"Faith like a muscle grows through exercise"

First steps ([chapter 6-7](#))

An Offering -- Destroy a Pagan Altar

A Trumpet call -- A Fleece -- A Dream

V. God's strategy: Victory in the face of defeat.

Do more with less ([Judges 7:1-8](#))

Follow the leader ([Judges 7:17-18](#))

Step out in faith ([Judges 7:19-25](#))

-- God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong ([1 Cor. 1:26-29](#))

-- My grace is sufficient for you, my power is made perfect in weakness ([2 Cor. 12:9](#))

-- He always leads us in triumph ([2 Corinthians 1:9-10, 2:14](#))

Application

1. Are you aware of any modern Midianites impinging on your life?
2. Can you believe what God says about you?
3. What faith builders is God incorporating into your life?
4. Are you rising to your challenges?

Live the Life with Prayer



Recent additions

Sherry McNees -- blood pressure issues
Ron Will -- recuperating from heart procedure
Sue Craft -- sciatic nerve issues
Carpenter family -- house fire
Emily Britton -- knee surgery complications
Jonas Rigg -- sciatic nerve issues -- in rehab in Ft. Wayne
Lisa Franks -- pain management during recovery from surgery
Dale Davis - dialysis and chemo treatments
Keith McGuire -- recovering from eye surgery

Praises

Jack Florent -- smooth recovery from ankle surgery
Jim and Kim Erwin's new granddaughter, Jenimah Geraldine, born Feb. 5
Greg and Nikki Maertins' new twin grandchildren, Canon and Constance
Steve and Jen Byler's new granddaughter, Nora Jo

Continue to Remember Those in Need

Jennie deAraujo's cousin's son, Nate, discharged from hospital; pray for strength and immunity
Russ Heckathorn -- immunotherapy for lung cancer
Steve Byler's sister, Joyce - cancer
Melissa Houtz's cousin, Holly Haynes Lamb -- colon cancer
Neil Hannah -- heart and lung issues
Bart Burnside -- health issues
Arwen Mallay -- twelve-year-old being treated for stage 4 neuroblastoma

Remember Our Homebound/Shut In Members

Norita Skinner -- Maple Lawn
Shirley Bogen -- Drew's Place

Pray for our nation during these uncertain days

*"We honor God through regularly assembling together to worship Him as Lord,
study and obey His word, and attend to the needs of His people.
When we leave, we go out commissioned as Christ's representatives
to a needy world."*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, REMINDERS AND EVENTS

Today -- MINNET teams meet following worship service. Adults are welcome to sit in on any of the team meetings.

Baby Dedication -- Congratulations to *Cahil and Deziree Krajniak*, parents of *Nora Jo*, and *Chance and Kylei Dules*, parents of *Quinn Alece*. May God bless your families!

Ministry Fair -- next Sunday, April 25, following worship service. Plan on meeting some local ministries, learn what they are doing in our community and see how you might help.

Church Council -- Meets next Sunday, April 25, after the Ministry Fair

2021 Scholarships -- Applications for Women's Fellowship scholarships are now available in the lobby. They are due no later than May 2. Please contact the office if you need one sent to you.

Church Directory -- There are updated directories in the lobby.

Please note -- Dick Wright's "*Grace Like a River Flows*" series (books 1,2 and 3) are on display at the Information Center and may be borrowed. Dick's other books are available on *Amazon.com* (search for R. Marshall Wright).

Dare to Care -- There are extra Kingdom Assignment *Care Notes* in the lobby.

It's Worth Considering -- If you have any questions from your reading of the books of the Old Testament, email them to the office and they will be addressed during Pastor Dave's morning devotional time and posted on the church webpage.

Offering --Offering plates are in the lobby. Donations can be made online by going to bethelgilead.org (Donate tab), or by scanning the QR code to the left. You can also authorize a monthly debit from your bank account by completing a form (on the information desk in the lobby or contact the office)



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When the spirit of the Lord moves on my heart,
I will dance like David danced
When the spirit of the Lord moves on my heart,
I will dance like David danced

I will dance, I will dance, I will dance like David danced
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When the spirit of the Lord moves on my heart,
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Jehovah Jireh, my provider
His grace is sufficient for me, for me, for me
Jehovah Jireh, my provider
His grace is sufficient for me

My God shall supply all my needs
according to His riches and glory
He gives his angels charge over me
Jehovah Jireh cares for me, for me, for me
Jehovah Jireh cares for me

Li, li, li.....
Li, li, li.....

Hosanna, Hosanna
Your kingdom come to us, O Lord

Hosanna, Hosanna
Your will be done for us, O Lord

Li, li, li.....

Hallelujah (6X)

Let us sing songs of joy

Hallelujah (6X)

He is Jehovah Lord God Almighty
He is Jehovah, the God who sets men free
The Balm of Gilead, the Rock of Ages
He is Jehovah the God that healeth me

Sing hallelujah (4X)

He is Jehovah Lord God Almighty
He is Jehovah the God that healeth me

He is the great I Am, the God of Abraham
Jehovah Shalom, the God of Peace I am
The God of Israel, the Everlasting One
He is Jehovah, the God that healeth me

Sing hallelujah (4X)

He is Jehovah Lord God Almighty
He is Jehovah the God that healeth me

He's our provider Jehovah Jireh
God of Salvation, God our Messiah
the Son he sent to you to testify on Him
He is Jehovah the God that healeth me

Sing hallelujah (4X)

He is Jehovah Lord God Almighty
He is Jehovah the God that healeth me

The Trees of the Field

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace
the mountain and the hills will break forth before you
they'll be shouts of joy and all the trees of the field
will clap, will clap their hands

And all the trees of the fields will clap their hands
The trees of the fields will clap their hands
The trees of the fields will clap their hands
While we go out with joy