

# The Intrinsic Significance of Gideon as God's Valiant Warrior

Monday 10/18

Judg. 6:12

12 And the Angel of Jehovah appeared to him and said to him, Jehovah is with you, valiant warrior.

Rev. 2:7

7 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, to him I will give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the Paradise of God.

Isa. 50:4-5

4 The Lord Jehovah has given me The tongue of the instructed, That I should know how to sustain the weary with a word. He awakens me morning by morning; He awakens my ear To hear as an instructed one.

5 The Lord Jehovah has opened my ear; And I was not rebellious, Nor did I turn back.

Exo.21:6

6 Then his master shall bring him to God and shall bring him to the door or to the doorpost, and his master shall bore his ear through with an awl; and he shall serve him forever.

Phil. 2:5-9

5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus,

6 Who, existing in the form of God, did not consider being equal with God a treasure to be grasped,

7 But emptied Himself, taking the form of a slave, becoming in the likeness of men;

8 And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, becoming obedient even unto death, and that the death of a cross.

9 Therefore also God highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name,

James 1:19

19 You know this, my beloved brothers; but let every man be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath;

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Crystallization-Study of Joshua Judges Ruth - Week 8, Day 1*

**Corporate Reading of "The History of God in His Union with Man" Chapter 9 – Sections:** Escaping from His Uncle Laban; Facing the Trouble of Laban's Pursuing and Overtaking Him

Tuesday 10/19

Judg. 6:25-26, 34

25 And that night Jehovah said to him, Take your father's bull, that is, the second bull, seven years old; and tear down the altar of Baal that belongs to your father, and cut down the Asherah that is beside it.

26 And build an altar to Jehovah your God upon the top of this stronghold in the ordered manner. Then take that second bull, and offer a burnt offering with the wood of

the Asherah that you will cut down.

34 And the Spirit of Jehovah clothed Gideon; and he blew the trumpet, and the Abiezrites were called up behind him.

Dan. 11:32b

32b But the people who know their God will show strength and take action.

Acts 13:52

52 And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

2 Tim. 4:1-2

1 I solemnly charge you before God and Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom:

2 Proclaim the word; be ready in season and out of season; convict, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and teaching.

Eph. 5:18-20

18 And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissoluteness, but be filled in spirit,

19 Speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and psalming with your heart to the Lord,

20 Giving thanks at all times for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to our God and Father,

1 Cor. 2:12

12 But we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit which is from God, that we may know the things which have been graciously given to us by God;

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Crystallization-Study of Joshua Judges Ruth - Week 8, Day 2*

**Corporate Reading of "The History of God in His Union with Man" Chapter 9 – Sections:** Facing the Trouble of Esau's Dealing with Him; Wrestling with God; Facing the Trouble of His Daughter Dinah; Being Purified and Returning to Bethel

Wednesday 10/20

Judg. 6:15

15 And he said to Him, Please, Lord, by what way can I save Israel? My clan here is the poorest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father's house.

Acts 26:19

19 Therefore, King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision,

Ezek. 14:7a

7a For each and every man of the house of Israel or of the sojourners who sojourn in Israel, who separates himself from Me and sets his heart on his idols

Phil. 3:8-10

8 But moreover I also count all things to be loss on account of the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, on account of whom I have suffered the

loss of all things and count them as refuse that I may gain Christ

9 And be found in Him, not having my own righteousness which is out of the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is out of God and based on faith,

10 To know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death,

Rom. 12:1-5

1 I exhort you therefore, brothers, through the compassions of God to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, well pleasing to God, which is your reasonable service.

2 And do not be fashioned according to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and well pleasing and perfect.

3 For I say, through the grace given to me, to every one who is among you, not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think, but to think so as to be sober-minded, as God has apportioned to each a measure of faith.

4 For just as in one body we have many members, and all the members do not have the same function,

5 So we who are many are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Crystallization-Study of Joshua Judges Ruth - Week 8, Day 3*

**Corporate Reading of "The History of God in His Union with Man" Chapter 9 – Sections:** Taking Care of the Burial of Deborah; Suffering the Death of Rachel; Suffering His Son Reuben's Incest with His Concubine Bilhah; Suffering the Loss of His Beloved Son Joseph; Suffering the Danger of Losing Simeon and Benjamin

Thursday 10/21

Judg. 7:4-7, 2-3

4 Then Jehovah said to Gideon, The people are still too many. Bring them down to the water, and I will test them for you there. And he of whom I say to you, This one shall go with you, he shall go with you. And every one of whom I say to you, This one shall not go with you, he shall not go.

5 So he brought the people down to the water. And Jehovah said to Gideon, Everyone who laps from the water with his tongue, as a dog laps, you shall set apart; likewise everyone who bows down on his knees to drink.

6 And the number of those who lapped the water into their mouth with their hand was three hundred men, but the rest of the people bowed down on their knees to drink water.

7 And Jehovah said to Gideon, Through the three hundred men who lapped I will save you, and I will deliver Midian into your hand. But let all the other people go, each to his own place.

2 And Jehovah said to Gideon, The people with you are too many for Me to deliver Midian into their hand; Israel might

vaunt himself against Me, saying, My own hand has saved me.

3 Now then proclaim in the hearing of the people, saying, Whoever is afraid and trembling should return and depart from here. And twenty-two thousand of the people returned, and ten thousand remained.

#### **Exo. 33:14-16**

14 And He said, My presence shall go with you, and I will give you rest.

15 And he said to Him, If Your presence does not go with us, do not bring us up from here.

16 For how then shall it be known that I have found favor in Your sight, I and Your people? Is it not by Your going with us, so that we, I and Your people, are distinct from all the other people who are on the face of the earth?

#### **Psa. 110:3**

3 Your people will offer themselves willingly In the day of Your warfare, In the splendor of their consecration. Your young men will be to You Like the dew from the womb of the dawn.

#### **Gal. 5:24**

24 But they who are of Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and its lusts.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Crystallization-Study of Joshua Judges Ruth - Week 8, Day 4*

**Corporate Reading of “The History of God in His Union with Man” Chapter 9 – Sections:** *Releasing Him from All His Sufferings; God’s Causing Him to Be Transformed and Matured; Being Transformed from a Supplanter to a Prince of God;*

#### **Friday 10/22**

##### **Judg. 7:13-14**

13 And when Gideon came, at that moment a man was recounting a dream to his companion; and he said, I have just had a dream. There was this round loaf of barley bread tumbling through the camp of Midian. And it came to the tent and struck it, so that it fell and turned upside down. And the tent collapsed.

14 And his companion answered and said, This is nothing else but the sword of Gideon the son of Joash, a man of Israel. God has delivered Midian and all the camp into his hand.

##### **1 Cor. 10:17**

17 Seeing that there is one bread, we who are many are one Body; for we all partake of the one bread.

##### **1 Cor. 12:20, 24**

20 But now the members are many, but the body one.

24 But our comely members have no need. But God has blended the body together, giving more abundant honor to the member that lacked,

##### **John 12:24**

24 Truly, truly, I say to you, Unless the grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it abides alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

##### **Rom. 12:1-3**

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1 I exhort you therefore, brothers, through the compassions of God to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, well pleasing to God, which is your reasonable service.

2 And do not be fashioned according to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and well pleasing and perfect.

3 For I say, through the grace given to me, to every one who is among you, not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think, but to think so as to be sober-minded, as God has apportioned to each a measure of faith.

##### **Judg. 6:16**

16 And Jehovah said to him, Surely I will be with you, and you will strike the Midianites as one man.

##### **Judg. 7:15**

15 And when Gideon heard the account of the dream and its interpretation, he worshipped. And he returned to the camp of Israel and said, Arise, for Jehovah has delivered the camp of Midian into your hand.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Crystallization-Study of Joshua Judges Ruth - Week 8, Day 5*

**Corporate Reading of “The History of God in His Union with Man” Chapter 9 – Sections:** Being Matured to Bless All People Whom He Contacted; Causing Him, with Joseph, to Go through a Long Period of Suffering; and to Be Exalted as the Sovereign Ruler; Going through a Long Period of Suffering; Being Exalted as the Sovereign Ruler

#### **Saturday 10/23**

##### **Rom. 2:4**

4 Or do you despise the riches of His kindness and forbearance and long-suffering, not knowing that God’s kindness is leading you to repentance?

##### **Gal. 5:16**

16 But I say, Walk by the Spirit and you shall by no means fulfill the lust of the flesh.

##### **Judg. 8:23**

23 But Gideon said to them, I will not rule over you, nor will my son rule over you. Jehovah will rule over you.

##### **Rom. 8:4**

4 That the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the spirit.

##### **1 Sam. 16:7**

7 But Jehovah said to Samuel, Do not regard his appearance and the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For it is not how man sees that matters; for man looks on the outward appearance, but Jehovah looks on the heart.

##### **1 Chron. 28:9**

9 And you, Solomon my son, know the God of your father, and serve Him with your whole heart and with a willing soul, for Jehovah searches all the hearts and understands every imagination of the thoughts. If you seek Him, He will be found by you; but if you forsake Him, He will cast you away forever.

##### **1 Chron. 29:17**

17 I know also, O my God, that You try the heart and take pleasure in uprightness. I, in the uprightness of my heart, have offered willingly all these things; and now I have seen with joy Your people, who are present here, offering willingly to You.

##### **Psa. 33:12**

12 Blessed is the nation whose God is Jehovah, The people whom He has chosen as His own possession.

##### **Gal. 5:25**

25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

##### **Col. 3:5**

5 Put to death therefore your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and greediness, which is idolatry;

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Crystallization-Study of Joshua Judges Ruth - Week 8, Day 6*

**Hymns, #899**

#### **Lord’s Day 10/24**

##### **Isa. 50:4-5**

4 The Lord Jehovah has given me The tongue of the instructed, That I should know how to sustain the weary with a word. He awakens me morning by morning; He awakens my ear To hear as an instructed one.

5 The Lord Jehovah has opened my ear; And I was not rebellious, Nor did I turn back.

##### **Prov. 21:1**

1 The king’s heart is like streams of water in the hand of Jehovah; He turns it wherever He wishes.

##### **2 Tim. 2:1, 3-4, 10-12, 15**

1 You therefore, my child, be empowered in the grace which is in Christ Jesus;

3 Suffer evil with me as a good soldier of Christ Jesus.

4 No one serving as a soldier entangles himself with the affairs of this life, that he may please the one who enlisted him.

10 Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the chosen ones, that they themselves also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

11 Faithful is the word: For if we died with Him, we will also live with Him;

12 If we endure, we will also reign with Him; if we deny Him, He also will deny us;

15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, an unashamed workman, cutting straight the word of the truth.

##### **Further Reading**

*Life-study of Judges, msgs. 5,*

*CWWN, vol. 47, “Authority and Submission,” chp.*

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*CWWL, 1961-1962, vol. 4, “The All-Inclusive Christ,” chps. 5-6*

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