

Judges 7:1-8 & 24-25

God’s glory is in _____!

² *“...or Israel would boast against me, ‘My own strength has saved me.’”*

Who’s _____?

³ *“Anyone who trembles with fear may turn back and leave...”*

Who’s _____?

⁵ *“Separate those who lap the water with their tongues as a dog laps from those who kneel down to drink.”*

Who’s _____?

⁶ *Three hundred of them drank from cupped hands, lapping like dogs.*

Who’s _____?

²⁴ *Gideon sent messengers throughout the hill country of Ephraim, saying, “Come down against the Midianites...”*

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Takin’ it “to-go”:

HOME STUDY QUESTIONS & MESSAGE SUPPLEMENT

Sunday, May 2, 2021: “Who’s Ready?”

Thinking about it:

Having kids in elementary school, we are familiar with student projects. Our kids had to build functioning “machines” that accomplish certain tasks like pouring cat food in a pet dish, or turning on a light. These machines had to use a combination of pulleys and levers. Some students truly built their machines without any help. Other students obviously had a lot of help from one of their parents, and some obviously were built by the parents with maybe a little help from the child.

- What types of things would be indicators that the child built it without any help?
- What types of things would be indicators that the parent helped a lot or did all the work?

In Sunday’s message we saw how God wanted Israel to experience a victory so grand that there was no way they could claim they achieved it on their own. It was to be obvious that God delivered the enemy into their hands. He did this by reducing Gideon’s army from 32,000 soldiers down to 300. They faced an army that was so big, the number of men or camels could not even be counted and was compared to a swarm of locusts over the land. God selected the 300 that demonstrated their constant readiness and he used them as instruments of His miraculous power to overcome the enemy. It was obvious that “Dad” did the work with a little help from the children of Israel! We asked ourselves, as we face rebuilding after the COVID setback, “***Who’s Ready?***”

Have you ever had an experience where the outcome made it obvious to you that God did something amazing?

- What aspects of it convince you it was a “God thing”?

Read:

- Elijah and the widow at Zarephath: I Kings 17:7-24
 - What were the circumstances God used to demonstrate His power in obvious ways?
 - How did the results impact the widow?
- David and Goliath: I Samuel, Chapter 17
 - What were the circumstances God used to demonstrate His power in obvious ways?
 - Which verse would you pick as the clearest summary of how God demonstrated His power in this event?

PRAY: Thank God for His power to do the impossible! Confess where you feel inadequate to be used in “God things”. Ask God to show you that your inadequacy is the “space” He uses to show His power to you and through you to others! Commit to offer yourself, inadequacies and all, into service of God and BE READY to see God demonstrate His power!

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Who’s SIMPLY AFRAID?

³ “Anyone who trembles with fear may turn back and leave...”

Who’s SELF-INDULGING?

⁵ “Separate those who lap the water with their tongues as a dog laps from those who kneel down to drink.”

Who’s READY?

⁶ Three hundred of them drank from cupped hands, lapping like dogs.

Who’s GONNA REAP THE VICTORY?

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Takin’ it “to-go”: *If I want to experience God’s glory, I must be ready to engage the impossible!*