



Now it is time for Gideon to step into his own destiny and deliver Israel from the Midianites, but God has some surprises in store. God said to Gideon, “You have too many men...Anyone who trembles with fear may turn back and leave Mount Gilead.’ So Twenty-two thousand men left, while ten thousand remained.” (7:2-3) Then God took it further in verse 7 and reduced Gideon’s force to 300 men.

- God reduced Gideon’s army from 32,000 men to 10,000 men then down to 300 men. Why did God send all those men home?
- Who benefitted more in this story, the men who fought or the men who went home?
- How have you benefitted from running from God’s will? How have you benefitted from pursuing God’s will?

Gideon is a fearful man at the beginning of this story, but God calls Him “Mighty Warrior”. He then uses Gideon and a hugely outnumbered army to defeat the Midianites.

- How have you been hurt or wronged, or have sinned or even been weak in the past and God has seen you through it to the other side?
- How have you been able to minister to and help other because of what you have been through?
- What are you struggling through right now that God is helping you with? How could God use this situation to help others? How can you bring God glory in this situation?
- I what ways has God called you to be a mighty warrior?

“But he said to me, ‘My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.’ Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weakness, so that Christ’s power may rest on my.”

- (2 Corinthians 12:9)