

# **DISCUSSION GUIDE**

"UNCOMMON HEROES" - GIDEON - PART 6

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## AS THE DISCUSSION LEADER, THERE ARE A FEW THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND:

- Pray for your group discussion time!
- Choose a few questions from the guide that will generate the most discussion in your group.

## **GETTING TO KNOW ME (ICEBREAKER):**

• Did you attend the Strawberry Festival? What was your favorite part?

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

- 1. Have someone read Judges 6:11 through Judges 7.
- 2. God calls Gideon a "mighty warrior" despite his insecurities. How do you think Gideon felt hearing that affirmation? Can you recall when someone believed in you when you didn't believe in yourself?
- 3. God often encourages us first before calling us to greater things. How do you personally receive God's affirmation in your life? How does it shape your view of yourself?
- 4. Gideon makes several excuses for not fulfilling God's call. What are some common excuses we make when we feel God calling us to do something big? How can we overcome those excuses?
- 5. Gideon had a personal experience with God through a sign. Has there been a moment in your life where you felt God reveal Himself to you personally and profoundly? What impact did it have on you?
- 6. Gideon built an altar named "The Lord is Peace" (Jehovah-shalom). What does it mean personally to experience God as your peace, especially during difficult times?
- 7. God tested Gideon's obedience in confronting his family's idols. Have you ever had to confront something in your life that was a barrier between you and God? How did you handle it?
- 8. Gideon obeyed God, fearing how his family and town would react. How do you handle the fear of rejection when you feel called to do something difficult or unpopular?
- 9. The Holy Spirit empowered Gideon for the battle ahead. How do you experience the Holy Spirit's empowerment in your own life? In what areas do you need the Holy Spirit's help the most?
- 10. In what areas of your life do you feel God calls you to step out in faith, even if it seems impossible or daunting? How can you begin to respond to His call today?

#### **PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES:**

- Sun Ward Vanuatu
- Solomon & Lori Wang Asia Pacific

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Join a Wednesday night class, support group, or prayer group! Head to **victorylakeland.org** to find a class that best fits you.