



Sermon Topic: God Uses Small Things for Great Victories

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Main Text: Judges 6:1-10; Judges 7:9-15

Key Theme: God often uses small, unlikely things to accomplish great purposes so that the glory belongs to Him alone.

1. Israel's Condition: Oppressed and Impoverished (Judges 6:1-6)

- Israel did evil in the sight of the Lord.
- God allowed the Midianites to oppress them for seven years.
- The Midianites destroyed crops, took livestock, and left Israel with nothing.

Lesson: Sometimes hardship brings us back to God.

2. Gideon's Doubt and Feeling of Insignificance (Judges 6:13-16)

- Gideon questioned why hardship had come if God was with them.
- He saw himself as weak and insignificant.
- God responded: 'Surely I will be with thee.'

Lesson: God does not call the qualified; He qualifies those He calls.

3. God Strengthens Gideon Through a Small Sign (Judges 7:9-15)

- Gideon overheard a Midianite soldier describing a dream.
- A barley loaf rolled into the camp and destroyed a tent.
- Barley bread symbolized poverty and insignificance.

Message: God can use the small to defeat the mighty.

4. God's Pattern: Using the Small to Do the Great

- A small cloud announced rain (1 Kings 18:44).
- A shepherd boy defeated Goliath (1 Samuel 17).
- Five loaves and two fish fed thousands (John 6:9).
- A baby in a manger brought salvation (Luke 2:7).
- God chooses the weak things of the world (1 Corinthians 1:27-29).

5. Victory Comes by God's Power

'Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit,' says the Lord (Zechariah 4:6).

'If God be for us, who can be against us?' (Romans 8:31).

Gideon won because God was with him.

6. Gideon's Response Was Worship (Judges 7:15)

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- When Gideon heard the dream, he worshipped.

Lesson: Worship turns fear into courage and prepares us for victory.

7. Application for Today

You may feel small, overlooked, or unqualified.

But God specializes in using the small.

God can use one prayer, one act of obedience, or one step of faith.

8. God Increases Small Beginnings

'Though thy beginning was small, yet thy latter end should greatly increase.' (Job 8:7)

9. Practical Challenge

- Give what you have.
- Invite someone to church.
- Be faithful where you are.
- Do your best and trust God with the rest.

Conclusion

God still uses 'barley loaves' today.

When God is behind something small, it becomes unstoppable.

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