SERMON GUIDE | APRIL 23, 2023



## **INTRO**

Do you have a favorite Bible story?

## DISCUSSION

- 1. The Bible claims to be The Story. What is the overarching metanarrative of The Story?
- 2. Read Judges 6. What stands out to you about the story of Gideon?
- 3. When Judges 6 opens, the nation of Israel is doing well but Judges 6:1 reads: The Israelites did evil in the eyes of the Lord. What does that phrase mean?
- 4. Starting in verse 7, why does the Lord (through his prophet) remind the Israelites what he has already done?
- 5. In verse 12, when the angel appeared to Gideon, he said "The Lord is with you, mighty warrior." What strikes you about that statement and Gideon's response in Verse 13?
- 6. Why is it important for Gideon to get his own house in order before God uses him?
- 7. What did Gideon's asking for a fleece say about his faith?

## APPLICATION

How can we live courageously and not "hide in the cave" as the Israelites did?

How do you view yourself? Do you see yourself rightly within The Story?

How are we to live if we understand that our story starts and ends with God?

What steps can we take today to find our purpose and place in God's redemptive work?

Share prayer requests and pray for one another.

