



The Lord Is Our Peace

Series: "God Sightings", Part 5 of 8

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Big Idea: When living for Christ becomes stale the problem is typically not external but internal.

Text: Judges 6, especially verse 24

I. THE PROBLEM.

Judges 6:10b, "I am the LORD your God; do not worship the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you live. But you have not listened to me."

Judges 6:1, Again the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the LORD, and for seven years he gave them into the hands of the Midianites.

Judges 6:25b, "Tear down your father's altar to Baal and cut down the Asherah pole beside it."

2 Corinthians 4:4, "In whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving, that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God." {NASV}

Colossians 3:5, Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry.

Ezekiel 14:3a, Son of man, these men have set up idols in their hearts.

II. THE SOLUTION.

A. Get rid of the idols.

Judges 6:25b, "Tear down your father's altar to Baal and cut down the Asherah pole beside it."

Judges 6:13b, "Where are all his wonders that our fathers told us about when they said, 'Did not the LORD bring us up out of Egypt?' But now the LORD has abandoned us and put us into the hand of Midian."

B. Go in the strength you have.

Judges 6:14, "The LORD turned to him and said, "Go in the strength you have and save Israel out of Midian's hand. Am I not sending you?" 15 "But Lord," Gideon asked, "how can I save Israel? My clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my family." 16 The LORD answered, "I will be with you, and you will strike down all the Midianites together."

Judges 6:24a, "So Gideon built an altar to the LORD there and called it The LORD is Peace."

Idols love the vacuum of disobedience.

III. THE OUTCOME.

Judges 6:33-35, Now all the Midianites, Amalekites and other eastern peoples joined forces and crossed over the Jordan and camped in the Valley of Jezreel. 34 Then the Spirit of the LORD came upon Gideon, and he blew a trumpet, summoning the Abiezrites to follow him. 35 He sent messengers throughout Manasseh, calling them to arms, and also into Asher, Zebulun and Naphtali, so that they too went up to meet them.

Judges 7:2- The LORD said to Gideon, "You have too many men for me to deliver Midian into their hands. In order that Israel may not boast against me that her own strength has saved her."

Judges 7:9, During that night the LORD said to Gideon, "Get up, go down against the camp, because I am going to give it into your hands."

Judges 8:28, "Thus Midian was subdued before the Israelites and did not raise its head again. During Gideon's lifetime, the land enjoyed peace forty years."

John 14:27, Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

Psalms 85:10, "Love and faithfulness meet together; righteousness and peace kiss each other."

Isaiah 32:17, "The fruit of righteousness will be peace; the effect of righteousness will be quietness and confidence forever."

Isaiah 48:18, "If only you had paid attention to my commands your peace would have been like a river, your righteousness like the waves of the sea."

