

Gideon: Becoming A Spiritual Hero!
Second String Saints, Pt. 3

Judges 6:11-12

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Judges 6:11, ... Gideon was threshing wheat in a winepress to keep it from the Midianites. ¹²When the angel of the Lord appeared to Gideon, he said, “The Lord is with you, mighty warrior.” ... ¹⁴The 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?”

- **You Must Discover Your Spiritual IDENTITY**
- **You Must Determine Your Spiritual ACTIVITY**

Biblical Thoughts On Being A Great Father:

- **You Are The Family HERO**
Matthew 7:9, What man is there among you who, when his son asks for a loaf, will give him a stone? ¹⁰Or if he asks for a fish, he will not give him a snake, will he? ¹¹If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give what is good to those who ask Him!
- **You Are The Sacrificial LEADER**
Matthew 1:19, Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly... ²⁴When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife.
- **You Aren’t Your DAD**
2 Kings 18:1, ...Hezekiah son of Ahaz king of Judah began to reign... ³He did what was right in the eyes of the Lord... ⁴He removed the high places, smashed the sacred stones and cut

down the Asherah poles. He broke into pieces the bronze snake Moses had made, for up to that time the Israelites had been burning incense to it...

- **You Are The Role Model For Perseverance, Forgiveness And Spiritual ENGAGEMENT**

Luke 15:20, ... “But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.”

Luke 15:28, “The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him... ³¹“My son,’ the father said, ‘you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. ³²But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.”

Three Questions Every Child Needs Their Fathers To Answer:

1. Dad, How Do You Really Feel About Me?
2. Dad, What Do You Believe About Me?
3. Dad, What Are Your Hopes For Me?

Matthew 3:17, “This is My Son, whom I love; with Him I am well pleased.”

Matthew 17:5, “This is My Son, whom I love; with Him I am well pleased. Listen to Him!”

Cottonwood Creek Challenge To Men:

1. Dads, take time to write out the answers to the three questions every child needs their fathers to answer. Write one for each of your children and read it to them or give it to them.
2. Attend the Pastor’s Bible Study Every Tuesday Morning at 6:00a in room A234. This Tuesday, the Pastor will begin a new series entitled, “Famous Fathers In The Bible And What We Can Learn From Them!”