

Judges

Gideon: A Story Undone by Loss of Focus

*Judges 8-9 Jay Farwell
July 17, 2022*

1. Do You Diligently Seek God's Kingdom?

2. Do You Keep in Mind Your Greatest Need?

3. Do You Live in Light of God's Promises?

QUICK REVIEW

Thinking about this week's teaching, was there a particular point, verse or comment that caught your attention, challenged you, or raised a question?

DIGGING DEEPER

Thinking of Ephraim, Succoth, and Penuel, how did their focus affect their ability to follow God?

How does the concern for safety affect us as we seek to obey and follow God?

How can the gospel of grace help you deal well with those aspects of your life where you believe you deserve more recognition or honor?

How has God saved you from yourself? How does this ongoing work in your life make you feel about God?

What promises that God has made in His Word continue to encourage you? OR What promises that God has made in His Word do you need to be reminded of more?

What do you think are key areas for us to focus on in order to stand firm in the faith and "end well" in this life?

PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS

As a way of helping your children and grandchildren to daily focus on their need for Jesus, share with them how you need Jesus this week. Ask them how they need Jesus right now and help them to understand their daily need for his presence. Then pray for each other.



THIS WEEK

Service Project: The Children's Ministry is sponsoring a Summer Service Project for all children ages 4-17. Our desire is to see Jesus glorified in our neighborhoods and community through acts of love and service. Pick up a booklet from the children's check in kiosk to learn more. Turn in the completed booklet to Courtney Neuber by September 1 for a prize.

IN COMING DAYS

Getting Plugged In: Please come to our Getting Plugged In meeting next Sunday, July 24th at 12:15 pm in the Activity Center. This is right after second service, and we'll be serving a light lunch. This meeting will show you how you can get connected in a small group, how you can find your best place to serve, and how you can begin the process of becoming a member. We'd love to see you there!

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Are you new here? Don't let all the unfamiliar faces scare you away. Go to our Welcome Kiosk where there's someone to tell you a little more about us, and we've even got a gift for you!

Connection Challenge: This week, we're vamping off the verse in Ephesians that tells us to make the most of every opportunity. Will you ask God to give you an opportunity to share his kindness or even about Jesus with someone—and for you to be ready to take that opportunity? That's it. That's your connection challenge.

Looking for a way to serve? We could still use ushers for 2nd Service. Can you help out once a month? All you need is a kind and friendly face! Contact Tara Hendrickson by e-mailing zfunefarm@aol.com.

Missionaries of the Month: Please pray for Tim and Heidi Olson as they serve with Commission to Every Nation in Romania.

Monthly Giving Goal: \$103,333

July Giving-to-Date: \$37,086