

In The Days When The Judges Ruled

Lesson 7

Gideon Judges Israel

Judg. 7

Introduction

The specifics told Gideon in this chapter emphasize something God's people must *always* show... trust & dependence on God. Time after time, God has delighted in showing His people the benefit of total dependence upon His way, and the superiority of His wisdom over ours (**Isa. 55:8-11**).

- 1) Why again was Gideon named Jerubbaal? (**6:32**)
- 2) After Gideon assembled together his forces (**6:33-35**), what was God's reaction? (**vv. 2-3**) What "human inclination" was God trying to prevent by thinning out his men? (**Deut. 8:7-17; 1 Cor. 2:1-5**)
- 3) What was the second attempt to reduce Gideon's fighting force? (**v. 4**) What were the results? (**vv. 5-8**)
- 4) What instructions did God give Gideon? (**vv. 9-10**) For what purpose? (**vv. 11-14**) How was Gideon helped by all this? (**v. 15**) Is there any other indication re: the size of the Midianite coalition? (**v. 12; 8:10**)

