



## CLAP and March

Invite your child to clap and march around the house. Tell him you are pretending to be soldiers. Talk about how God helped choose the soldiers in the Bible story. Point to the Bible story picture (reverse side). Explain that the soldiers used horns and torches with fire to win the battle. Tell your child that God is good and helps us, too.

## BABIES

## Take a LISTENING Walk

Tell your baby the Bible story. Comment: "Gideon and his soldiers listened to God and did what He said." Tuck your baby in a stroller or carry her on a walk. Encourage her to listen. Point out leaves rustling in the breeze, the happy songs or chatter of birds, a dog barking, or a car horn blowing. Say: "Thank You, God, for ears to hear. Thank You for being good to us."

## VERSE

God is good to us.  
PSALM 73:1

## BUILD a Tent

Help your child build a tent with sheets or blankets. Sit inside together as you tell the Bible story (reverse side). Remind your child that many soldiers went back to their tents. Invite your child to rest in the tent. Enjoy playing and resting in the tent.

# BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

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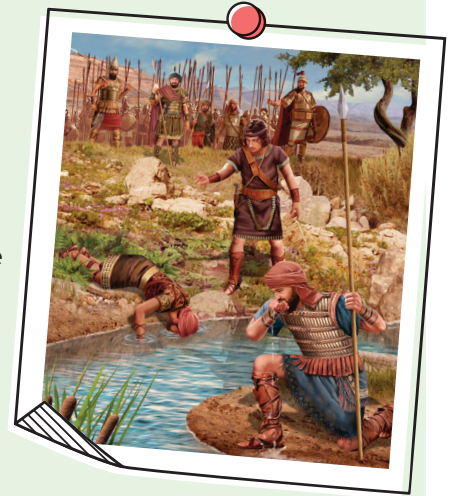
## CONVERSATION

### God Helped Gideon

**BASED ON JUDGES 7:1-22**

**WEEKLY VERSE:** I am God, and no one else is like Me. *Isaiah 46:9*

**MAIN POINT:** God is good.



#### BABIES

Gideon had too many soldiers.  
He sent some home.

God told Gideon to keep the 300 men who drank water from their hands. Gideon sent the others soldiers back to the tents.

Gideon and his soldiers did what God told them to do and won the battle.

#### 1s

Gideon had a large army. God told him he had too many men.  
Gideon told the soldiers who were afraid that they could go home.  
Many left.

Gideon then told the soldiers to drink water.

Gideon kept the 300 men who used their hands to drink water.  
Gideon and the soldiers went to battle carrying horns and torches.  
They yelled loudly and the other armies were afraid and ran away.  
God led Gideon to win the battle.

#### 2s

Gideon had a large army. God told Gideon he had too many soldiers.  
God said to tell the soldiers if they were afraid that they could return home. Many men went home.

There were still 10,000 men ready to go to battle.

God told Gideon to tell the soldiers to drink water. God told Gideon which men to keep.

Gideon sent many soldiers back to the tents. He kept the 300 men who used their hands to drink water.

The soldiers did exactly what Gideon told them to do. They blew their horns, held torches high, and yelled loudly.

Gideon's army won the battle because God helped them.

#### THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

The Bible story teaches that God is good. God helped Gideon and his men defeat their enemies.

#### LIVE IT OUT

Remind your child that God is good. Ask him to name ways God helps him. Be ready to supply a few answers. Clap the verse in a rhythmic pattern with your child: "I am God. / and no one else / is like Me. / *Isaiah 46:9.*"

#### LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

God is good.

#### DAILY BIBLE READING

**Sunday:** Isaiah 46:9

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**VERSE**

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one else is like Me.  
— ISAIAH 46:9

# CIRCLE the PICTURES

God told Gideon what each man in his army  
should have with him.

**CIRCLE** the things Gideon  
told his men to bring.



## COLOR the LETTERS

**COLOR** each  
**LETTER** the same  
color as the **STAR**  
inside. Ask an adult  
to help you read the  
sentence out loud.

God is

GOOD!

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### God Helped Gideon

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**LIFE POINT:** God is good.

A group of people called Midianites (MID ih uh n ights) were causing trouble for the Israelites. They would steal crops and animals so the Israelites could not eat. The Israelites prayed to God and asked Him for help.

God chose Gideon to help the people. An angel appeared to Gideon and said, "God is with you. Go and save your people from the Midianites."

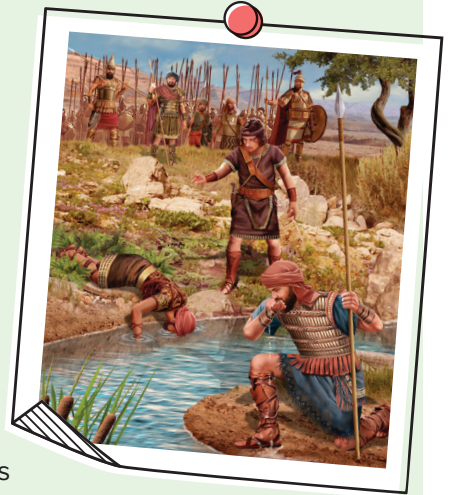
Gideon said, "But I am not powerful or strong. I cannot do this." The angel told him, "God will be with you and give you the victory."

Gideon gathered his men, but God told Gideon he had too many men in his army. God did not want them to think they won the battle because they had a lot of strong men in their army.

God told Gideon to go with only 300 men. He chose them by how they drank water from a stream. Each man was told to take a trumpet and a torch. The light of each torch was hidden by a clay pitcher that covered it. God told Gideon exactly what to do.

Gideon and his men surrounded the Midianites' camp. When Gideon gave the signal, the men blew their trumpets, smashed their pitchers, and shouted, "For the Lord and for Gideon!"

The Midianites in the camp were confused by all the noise because it was late at night and very dark. They began to fight with one another and run away. Gideon and his men followed them and defeated them. God helped Gideon win the battle.



#### THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

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God can do anything.

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## Word Search

Circle the words from today's Bible story. Tell a friend or family member one thing you remember about today's story.

G T O R C H F X K T H J  
L E F G M I D I A N P H  
O O A I J A N G E L O O  
R H R D X L A N D O W R  
D Q M E B F Z H A H E N  
M Z Y O P I T C H E R B  
Y Q B N R J T D M T M P  
I S Y T K I N X R F F P

## VERSE

**You are the God of great wonders! You demonstrate your awesome power among the nations.**

**-Psalm 77:14**

## WORD BANK

Gideon      land  
army      Midian  
horn      angel  
pitcher      power  
torch      Lord

## God's POWERFUL Acts

**JUDGES 7:7:**

God chose \_\_\_\_\_ men to be in the army.

**JUDGES 7:16:**

God used items like a \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
to give to the army.

**JUDGES 7:21:**

God defeated the \_\_\_\_\_  
using Gideon and his small army.

What is something powerful  
that God has done for you?

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## CONVERSATION

### Gideon and the Midianites

JUDGES 6:11–7:22

*For seven years the Midianites ruled over God's people, the Israelites. The Midianites attacked the Israelites and destroyed their crops. The Israelites hid in the mountains. (Judges 6:1-10)*

One day Gideon was threshing (beating) wheat in his hiding place when an angel of God visited him. "The Lord is with you, mighty warrior!" the angel said. "You will save your people from the Midianites."

Gideon answered, "How can I save Israel? My family is poor. I am the youngest in my family."

"I will be with you," God promised. "You will strike down the Midianites as if they were only one man."

Gideon gathered 32,000 men, but God said, "You have too many soldiers. Tell those who are afraid to go home." Thousands of men left, and only 10,000 stayed to fight.

God said, "There are still too many men. Take them down to the water and watch how they drink. Place in one group the men who scoop up water with their hands and lap it with their tongues like dogs. Place those who kneel to drink straight from the water in another group." Gideon obeyed God. Only 300 men drank with their hands to their mouths. God told Gideon, "I will help you defeat the Midianites with these 300 men. Send the rest home."

God helped Gideon know what to do. God told Gideon to give every man a trumpet and an empty pitcher with a torch inside. Gideon directed the men to surround the enemy camp. When Gideon blew his trumpet, the men broke the pitchers, blew their trumpets, and shouted, "For the Lord and for Gideon!"

The Midianites were terrified. God confused the Midianites, who began to fight one another and run away. Gideon and the Israelites won the battle!

**WEEKLY BIBLE VERSE:** Psalm 77:14

**LIFE POINT:** God is in charge of all that happens in the world.



#### THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

From this Bible story your child discovered that God is in charge of all that happens in the world. God chose Gideon and led him to defeat the Midianites.

#### LIVE IT OUT

Remind your child that God had control of Gideon's situation. Emphasize that God is in control of her situations, too. Encourage her to write a note of encouragement to herself or a friend who is going through a tough time. In the note mention one or more verses that tell God is in control.

#### LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

God is all-powerful and in control of all things.

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# OCTOBER 2025

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|                             |                                 |                                    | <b>1</b><br>Acts<br>20:35         | <b>2</b><br>1 Corinthians<br>10:31 | <b>3</b><br>1 Peter<br>2:20           | <b>4</b><br>Proverbs<br>14:31 |
| <b>5</b><br>Joshua<br>21:45 | <b>6</b><br>Psalm<br>89:1       | <b>7</b><br>Numbers<br>23:19       | <b>8</b><br>2 Corinthians<br>1:20 | <b>9</b><br>1 Kings<br>8:56        | <b>10</b><br>1 Chronicles<br>17:19-20 | <b>11</b><br>Hebrews<br>10:23 |
| <b>12</b><br>Psalm<br>77:14 | <b>13</b><br>Philippians<br>4:6 | <b>14</b><br>Isaiah<br>46:10       | <b>15</b><br>Romans<br>13:1       | <b>16</b><br>Psalm<br>115:3        | <b>17</b><br>Proverbs<br>21:1         | <b>18</b><br>Daniel<br>4:35   |
| <b>19</b><br>Daniel<br>3:17 | <b>20</b><br>Jeremiah<br>31:33  | <b>21</b><br>Psalm<br>139:7        | <b>22</b><br>John<br>14:16        | <b>23</b><br>Deuteronomy<br>31:8   | <b>24</b><br>Psalm<br>145:18          | <b>25</b><br>Matthew<br>28:20 |
| <b>26</b><br>Isaiah<br>44:6 | <b>27</b><br>Psalm<br>96:4      | <b>28</b><br>1 Chronicles<br>16:25 | <b>29</b><br>Deuteronomy<br>10:21 | <b>30</b><br>Revelation<br>4:11    | <b>31</b><br>Jeremiah<br>10:7         |                               |

**EACH DAY YOU READ, HAVE A PARENT/GUARDIAN INITIAL.  
RETURN YOUR CALENDAR TO EARN \$200 KIDS' KASH**