



Part 4: Learning To Live Courageously! | Jeff Brawner

[1] The Courage We Need Is ... _____-Based!

Judges 6:11-12 (Message)

One day the angel of GOD came and sat down under the oak in Ophrah that belonged to Joash the Abiezrite, whose son Gideon was threshing wheat in the winepress, out of sight of the Midianites. ¹² The angel of GOD appeared to him and said, "**GOD is with you, O mighty warrior!**"

Judges 6:15-16 (Message)

Gideon said to him, "Me, my master? How and with what could I ever save Israel? Look at me. My clan's the weakest in Manasseh and I'm the runt of the litter."

GOD said to him, "**I'll be with you.** Believe (trust) me, you'll defeat Midian as one man."

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Judges 6:14 (Message) -- GOD faced him directly: "**Go** in this strength that is yours. Save Israel from Midian. Haven't I just **sent you?**"

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Judges 7:4-7 (Message)

GOD said to Gideon: "There are still too many. Take them down to the stream and I'll make a final cut ... GOD said to Gideon: "Everyone who laps with his tongue, the way a dog laps, set on one side. And everyone who kneels to drink, drinking with his face to the water, set to the other side." 6 Three hundred lapped with their tongues from their cupped hands. All the rest knelt to drink. 7 GOD said to Gideon: "I'll use the three hundred men who lapped at the stream to save you and give Midian into your hands. All the rest may go home."

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Judges 7:9-11 (NLT)

That night the LORD said, "Get up! Go down into the Midianite camp, for I have given you victory over them! ¹⁰ **But if you are afraid to attack**, go down to the camp with your servant Purah. ¹¹ Listen to what the Midianites are saying, and you will be **greatly encouraged**. Then you will be eager to attack." So Gideon took Purah and went down to the edge of the enemy camp.

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Judges 7:15-21