

Sermon Title: **“GO GIDEON”**

Judges 6:11-24

- “The Angel of the Lord” = this is another pre-incarnate form of Christ
- While Gideon is threshing wheat the Angel of the Lord appears to Gideon & speaks
  - Whatever task God was about to call Gideon to do, God had already equipped Gideon for that task
- Gideon’s fathers told Gideon about Who God was (the great deeds God had done in the past for the Israelites)
  - Why does God seem so distant from their current troubles?
  - Answer = Israel left the God they loved & instead chose to worship & serve false gods
  - God has NEVER abandoned us & God will use whatever we’re facing for our good & His glory!
- In the strength that you’ve already received – Go & deliver Israel from the hands of the Midianites
  - Gideon should have said – “Lord help me to trust You as You use me to deliver Israel like You’ve promised!
  - NOT only has God equipped Gideon, God promised to be with him
- After spending so much time preparing, cooking, & baking the Angel of the Lord gives Gideon a sign – Fire comes up from the rock & it absolutely consumes ALL the meat & unleavened bread (which had been saturated from the broth)
- After this incredible encounter Gideon stops & thanks God

**SO WHAT?**

- Four Things That Really Stood Out to Me:
  - 1) If God’s called you to a task, God’s equipped you for that task
    - Whatever you’re facing – God’s allowed it & prepared you ahead of time to be equipped for it
  - 2) “If God’s with me, then why has God allowed these difficulties?”
    - God’s able to take the worst of things & use it for our good & His glory
  - 3) Go – God has charged us to go & make disciples (Go & share Jesus)
    - Challenge = post a 3-4 minute testimony video to share on Social Media
  - 4) Gideon built an altar (as a way to remember what God just did)
    - Consider created “an altar” (to remind you of what God did in your life during this time)