

# LAW + DISORDER

THE DAYS WHEN THE JUDGES RULED

## Gideon's Call

Judges 6:1-40

Sermon Notes

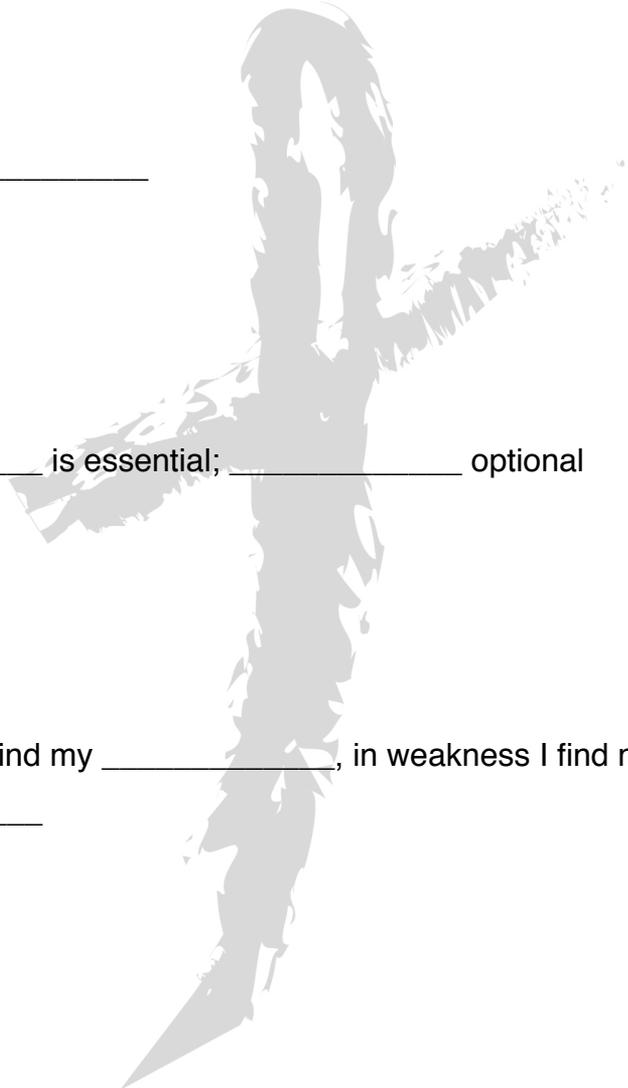
Regret is \_\_\_\_\_, repentance is \_\_\_\_\_

Kill the \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ is essential; \_\_\_\_\_ optional

In strength I find my \_\_\_\_\_, in weakness I find my \_\_\_\_\_

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# Life Group Questions

## Getting Started

1. What does God want you to do in 2019?

- How do you know when it is God who wants you to do something and not merely your own desire?

## Sermon

Read 2Corinthians 12:9-10

2. God says his “power is made perfect in [your] weakness” (v 9), and Paul responds, “When I am weak, then I am strong” (v 10). Explain the relationship between your weakness and God’s strength. How are you actually stronger when you are weak?

## Scripture

Read Judges 6:1-10

3. So far, when Israel cried out to God, God sent a judge to deliver them. This time God sends a prophet to preach to them. Why does Israel need a prophet before they need a deliverer? Summarize the sermon the prophet delivers.

### Read Judges 6:11-16

4. Compare Gideon's perspective on the oppression of the Midianites (v 13) to God's (v 1). How do you make sure you have God's perspective when facing difficult circumstances in your life?

### Read Judges 6:25-32

5. God makes Gideon deal with the idols of his own family and community before he takes on the idolatrous nations of the Midianites and the Amalekites. Give examples where Christians need to get their own house in order before taking on the world around us.
6. In this passage is Gideon more fearful or faithful? What is the relationship between fear and faith?

### Read Judges 6:33-40 and Exodus 4:1-5

7. Why did Gideon ask for a sign from God? Should he have? Is his request similar to the request of Moses in Exodus 4? Why or why not?
  - Why did God grant his request? Is it okay for us, then, to ask for signs? Study

8. God calls Gideon a “mighty man of valor” (v 12) when Gideon doesn’t seem to see himself that way (v 15). What message is God giving Gideon when he says to him, “Go in this might of yours and save Israel from the hand of Midian” (v 14)? What is the might of Gideon that God is referring to?

- How does God teach Gideon where true strength comes from?

### **Taking It Home**

9. What have you learned about the “might of Gideon” (Judges 6:12) that will help you fulfill the commission God has given you in Matthew 28:19-20?

### **Prayer**

How can your Life Group be praying for you this week?