



Introduction:

We have been called to join God on a great adventure filled with meaning, purpose and impact. Often, that adventure requires an ability to see things from God's perspective. We all tend to stumble along the way due to our own humanity. This series is intended to help us see God as the Way Maker.

Scripture:

"Sir," Gideon replied, "if the Lord is with us, why has all this happened to us? And where are all the miracles our ancestors told us about? Didn't they say, 'The Lord brought us up out of Egypt'? But now the Lord has abandoned us and handed us over to the Midianites."

Then the Lord turned to him and said, "Go with the strength you have, and rescue Israel from the Midianites. I am sending you!"

"But Lord," Gideon replied, "how can I rescue Israel? My clan is the weakest in the whole tribe of Manasseh, and I am the least in my entire family!"

The Lord said to him, "I will be with you. And you will destroy the Midianites as if you were fighting against one man."

Judges 6:13–16



Discussion Questions:

1. What are you afraid of?
2. What does “Fear of God” mean? What does it mean in your life?
3. When has fear been a positive force in your life?
4. Have you ever lived with a “spirit of fear”? What was that like? Are you living with a spirit of fear right now?
5. Does your environment feed your faith or your fear?
6. Is your environment healthy for your head (psyche)?
7. Is your environment healthy for your heart?
8. Is your environment healthy for your hands (your habits, your actions)?
9. What weapons do you have to fight fear?
10. This week, when you face fear, consider how you can change your environment, your perspective, or your weapons.