A Look Back To Move Ahead
LifeNotes

TALK IT OVER

Main Idea

You are who Jesus says you are, and through Him, you can do what He calls you to do.

Key Scriptures

"Watch me," he told them. "Follow my lead. When I get to the edge of the camp, do exactly as I do."
Judges 7:17

When the angel of the LORD appeared to Gideon, he said, "The LORD is with you, mighty warrior."
Judges 6:12

The LORD turned to him and said, "Go in the strength you have and save Israel out of Midian's hand. Am I not sending you. Judges 6:14

"Pardon me, my lord," Gideon replied, "but how can I save Israel? My clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my family." The LORD answered, "I will be with you, and you will strike down all the Midianites, leaving none alive." Judges 6:15-16

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.
Ephesians 6:10

Start talking.

- What are some of your favorite "underdog" stories?

- Why are you drawn to that story?

- What lessons did the "underdog" need to learn to find success/victory?

Start thinking.

- Read through all of Judges 6 and 7.

- Who did the LORD say Gideon was?

- What did God call Gideon to do?

- Why did God choose Gideon?

- Was Gideon justified in his responses to God?

- Why did the LORD have so much patience with Gideon?

- What lessons had Gideon learned by Judges 7:17?

Start sharing.

- At some point Gideon began to believe what God had declared him to be. As you think back through 2018 (and further back), what has the LORD declared you to be?

- What has gotten in the way of believing those things?

- How does believing believing who Jesus says you are, help define what He has called you to do?

Start doing.

- Joel mentioned several "high level" things Jesus wants us all to do. Re-listen to the list he describes (https://harborchurch.life) and identify those that connect most to you.

- What is one step ahead you will take toward that calling?

Closing prayer.

Jesus help me to believe I am who you say I am, and that through your power in me, I can do what you've called me to do.