

# HOME connection

OT Unit: Mercy in the Midst of Disobedience, Lesson 3

**D6 Family Theme:**  
TRUSTING GOD'S POWER

**Objectives:**

**Know:** God used Gideon and 300 men to miraculously defeat a vast Midianite army.

**Think:** Be so mindful of God's power that you confidently move forward when He leads.

**Do:** Step out in faith, trusting God to accomplish His will through you.



## READ: LISTEN TO GOD

**Read Judges 7:1-23.** The power of God is often overlooked or underestimated. The Old Testament, however, is replete with examples of God demonstrating His power and might. Gideon and his story is one such example.



## PRAY: TALK TO GOD

Give God the glory for every blessing and victory in your life. Pray that you and your family will take the time to give God the glory He deserves for the small blessings He gives you everyday.



## DO: WALK WITH GOD

**Option 1:** Gideon had an army of around 32,000 men, but God's plan was for Gideon to narrow his men down to 300. Gideon had great trust in God's power. Sit down with your children and gather some raisins, two clear cups, new soda, and flat soda. Help your children pour the new soda into one cup and the flat soda into the other. Let them drop the raisins into the cups, and watch as the raisins in the flat soda sink, and the raisins in the new soda "dance." We can do more with God's power (the new soda) than we can with our own power (the flat soda).

**Option 2:** Name several events from Scripture and ask your family members to explain how they see God's power at work in each of these stories.

- Creation
- Destruction of the world through the Flood
- Parting of the Red Sea
- The virgin birth of Jesus
- The Resurrection

Now ask, *What similarities do you see in these stories? What differences are there?*

## THIS WEEK IN D6 CURRICULUM:



PRE-  
SCHOOL

Today your child learned God sent some of Gideon's men home. Gideon only had 300 men to help him defeat the Midianites. Gideon trusted in God's plan. **I Can Trust in God** just like Gideon did.



K & 1  
GRADE



2 & 3  
GRADE

Today your student learned God chose a man named Gideon to rescue the Israelites. Gideon trusted God as He reduced the number of men to go with him to attack the Midianite army. Gideon trusted God's unusual plan and had faith in God's power as they defeated the Midianites.



4 & 5  
GRADE



YOUNG  
TEEN



HIGH  
SCHOOL

Teens learned that we exist to bring glory to God with our lives. They were encouraged to recognize and thank God for His patience and work in their lives. Ask your teen what it means to "give God glory" in our lives. Talk about why we can trust God, knowing He is the one who is all-powerful and aware of everything involved in each situation, including the outcome.



YOUNG  
ADULT

The group members considered how God takes us through the refining process in preparation for battle and were challenged to give God the glory in all aspects of life.



ADULT

Adults considered how the power of God is often overlooked or underestimated, and how God displayed His sovereign power to Gideon by accomplishing something only He could take the credit for. Adults were encouraged to rely on God's sufficient power and give Him the glory He rightfully deserves.