

SERMON NOTES PM

GIDEON'S COMPLAINT

Gideon said to Him, "O my lord, if the Lord is with us, why then has all this happened to us? And where are all His miracles which our fathers told us about, saying, 'Did not the Lord bring us up from Egypt?' But now the Lord has forsaken us and delivered us into the hands of the Midianites." (Judges 6:13)

Judges 6-8 (p282)

GIDEON'S VICTORIES

The oppression of Midian *Judges 6:1-10 (p 282)*

Mesopotamia / Othniel (40) Moabites / Ehud (80) Philistines / Shamgar Canaanites / Deborah (40)
Midianites & Amalekites Gideon (40)

Deliverance comes from God *Judges 6:11-12*

Gideon needs proof *vv14-18* God proves Gideon *vv25-32*

War with MID / AMA *v33* Gideon needs sign *vv36-40*

GIDEON'S VALIANT 300 33,000 to _____ to _____ *Judges 7:19-25*

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The oppression was _____ *Judges 6:1-6*

His _____ had been killed *Judges 8:6-21*

Gideon had to hide his _____ *Judges 6:11*

Everything Gideon said was true ... *Deuteronomy 31:16-18 (p 239)*

HAD GOD FORSAKEN THEM?
HAD GOD WITHHELD HIS POWER?
WAS GOD TO BLAME?

THE PROBLEMS CAME FROM THE ACTION OF THE PEOPLE *Judges 6:25; Judges 6:10*

It is easy to blame _____

Sin brings its own penalties *Proverbs 6:27-29 (p 731)*

Gideon suffered family loss – did he blame God?

- ⊕ Has God abandoned us?
- ⊕ Where is God in the midst of this crisis?

THE ANSWER TO GIDEON'S COMPLAINT

Life is filled with _____

Life can and will be _____ *2 Corinthians 12:7-10 (p 1335); 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 (p 1329)*

OUR OUTLOOK MUST COME FROM OUR UPLOOK

- ✓ Faith sees the PROMISE and hope BELIEVES the word of God
- ✓ Trust in _____ alone *Judges 7:2 (p 284)*
- ✓ Believe the _____ *2 Chronicles 14:11-12 (p 507)*

SO HE ANSWERED AND SAID TO ME: "THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD TO ZERUBBABEL: 'NOT BY MIGHT NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT,' SAYS THE LORD OF HOSTS. (ZECHARIAH 4:6)

Philippians 1:20-23 (p1349)

2 Timothy 4:6-8 (p 1368)



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ROBES OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and was standing before the Angel. (Zechariah 3:3)

Zechariah 3 (p 1093)

586 BC Babylonians capture Jerusalem; Temple burned

538 BC Cyrus defeats Babylon / Medo-Persian Empire

536 BC Edict of Cyrus allowing Jews to return home; First remnant returns to Jerusalem

2 Chronicles 36 (p 533) Ezra 1 (p 535)

Eight visions in Zechariah (1:7 – 6:8)

Joshua was the son of _____, the high priest Haggai 1:1 (p 1089)

The garments of Joshua are filthy (v3) representing the _____ of the people.

But we are all like an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags; we all fade as a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away. Isaiah 64:6 (p 860)

TAKE AWAY THE _____ GARMENTS! SEE I HAVE REMOVED YOUR INIQUITY FROM YOU

AND I WILL CLOTHE YOU WITH _____ ROBES Zechariah adds his thought (verse 5)

GOD'S ANSWER IS TO SATAN'S OPPOSITION

JOSHUA'S GARMENTS ARE OUR GARMENTS

Our garments are reeking with filth: S I N ! ! ! Romans 3:23 (p 1296) All have _____

Ephesians 2:1-3 (p 1343) Dead in _____

There is a generation that is pure in its own eyes, yet is not washed from its filthiness. Proverbs 30:12 (p 761)

Standing accusing us is _____ He opposes the Angel of the Lord

Sin brings the wrath of God Romans 1:18 (p 1294)

We are condemned because of _____ Ephesians 2:12 (p 1344) WITHOUT HOPE

WHAT DOES GOD DO?

Zechariah 3:4 (p 1093) He has taken away our filth and given us rich robes

Ephesians 2:4-7 (p 1343); Ephesians 2:13 (p 1344); Romans 5:6-11 (p 1298)

What does Satan have to say NOW???

Why Are Our Filthy Garments Cleansed?

- ✓ God's _____ John 3:16 (p 1223)
- ✓ God's _____ Ephesians 2:8-10 (p 1343)
- ✓ God's _____ Titus 3:5 (p 1370)

Where Are Our Filthy Garments Cleansed?

- ✓ _____ of Christ Revelation 1:5 (p 1407)
- ✓ Sanctified and _____ 1 Corinthians 6:11 (p 1314)
- ✓ _____ Acts 22:16 (p 1284); Romans 6:3-4 (p 1298); Galatians 3:27 (p 1339); 1 Peter 3:21 (p 1393)

Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. (Acts 2:38)

HE WHO OVERCOMES SHALL BE CLOTHED IN WHITE GARMENTS, AND I WILL NOT BLOT OUT HIS NAME FROM THE BOOK OF LIFE; BUT I WILL CONFESS HIS NAME BEFORE MY FATHER AND BEFORE HIS ANGELS. REVELATION 3:5 (p 1409)