

FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 18, 2021



BIBLE STORY:

Judges 6

APRIL MEMORY VERSE:

Ephesians 2:8-9

BABIES—PRESCHOOL TEXT TRUTH:

God chose Gideon to help people.

KIDS TEXT TRUTH:

We can always trust God. (YK)

We grow in our faith by trusting God. (OK)

ADULT CORE PASSAGE:

Luke 20:9-19

FAMILY MEMORY VERSE:

Luke 20:17

FAMILY READING PLAN:

SUNDAY: *Luke 18:31-34*

MONDAY: *Luke 18:35-43*

TUESDAY: *Luke 19:1-10*

WEDNESDAY: *Luke 19:11-27*

THURSDAY: *Luke 19:28-35*

FRIDAY: *Luke 19:36-40*

SATURDAY: *Luke 19:41-44*

FAMILY BIBLE EXPLORATION

USE THESE ACTIVITIES AS YOU STUDY TOGETHER AS A FAMILY:



• **Examine fleece.**

Before you gather, consider purchasing a piece of fleece from your local craft or fabric store. Try to find natural fleece and not synthetic fleece.

Give everyone a turn to hold the fleece and feel its texture. Ask questions about the fleece and how it feels to the touch. If possible, wet the fleece and discover the differences.

Say: "Gideon wanted to be sure that God was talking to him before he went into battle. One way Gideon did that was by using a fleece that would be either wet or dry in the morning. God had chosen Gideon to help the people."

• **Pretend to winnow grain.**

In a bucket, gather strips of paper, some very heavy objects, and a few other items of varying weights. Find an area either inside with a fan or outside with some wind to try this experiment.

Take turns tossing the items in the air and seeing how many land back in the bucket. Depending on the strength of your fan or wind, the paper should be blown away and the heavier items should remain.

Say: "Gideon was winnowing grain when the angel came and visited him. God chose Gideon to help the people."

• **Knock down a tower.**

Gather items that can be easily built into a tower and knocked over without causing injury or damage to your property.

Take turns building a structure and letting someone else knock it over. Continue as long as interest remains.

Say: "The first thing God wanted Gideon to do was to get rid of his father's idols that had been built. Gideon went at night and tore down the statues his father had built."

Continue: "Gideon knew that God wanted him to be the leader in Israel, and Gideon called people to come and fight the Midianites."