

Jdg 6:11 Now the Angel of the LORD came and sat under the terebinth tree which was in Ophrah, which belonged to Joash the Abiezrite, while his son Gideon threshed wheat in the winepress, in order to hide it from the Midianites.

Jdg 6:12 And the Angel of the LORD appeared to him, and said to him, "**The LORD is with you, you mighty man of valor!**"

Jdg 6:13 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."

**ITS NOT WHAT HAPPENS TO ME THAT DETERMIINES IF GOD IS WITH ME BUT HOW I RESPOND**

Jdg 6:14 Then the LORD turned to him (*Lit face to face*) and said, "Go in this might of yours, and you shall save Israel from the hand of the Midianites. **Have I not sent you?**"

Jdg 6:15 So he said to Him, "O my Lord, how can I save Israel? Indeed my clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father's house."

Jdg 6:16 And the LORD said to him, "Surely I will be with you, and you shall defeat the Midianites **as one man.**"

Jdg 6:17 Then he said to Him, "If now I have found favor in Your sight, then show me a sign that it is You who talk with me.

Jdg 6:18 Do not depart from here, I pray, until I come to You and bring out my offering and set it before You." And He said, "I will wait until you come back."

Jdg 6:19 So Gideon went in and prepared a young goat, and unleavened bread from an ephah of flour. The meat he put in a basket, and he put the broth in a pot; and he brought them out to Him under the terebinth tree and presented them.

Jdg 6:20 The Angel of God said to him, "Take the meat and the unleavened bread and lay them on this rock, and pour out the broth." And he did so.

Jdg 6:21 Then the Angel of the LORD put out the end of the staff that was in His hand, and touched the meat and the unleavened bread; and fire rose out of the rock and consumed the meat and the unleavened bread. And the Angel of the LORD departed out of his sight.

**Mat 28:18-20** *And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.*

**V:19** ***Go therefore** and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,*

**V:20** *teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.*

*After Gideon's encounter with the Lord, God asks Him to pull down things that have been built up in His place*

*and build a Altar to Him*

- *An Altar of the Heart*
- *An Altar of Order*
- *An Altar of sacrifice - (use the wood from the sacred pillars pulled down)*
- *An Altar of obedience*

*BEFORE WE DEAL WITH THE EXTERNAL PROBLEMS  
GOD WANTS US TO RESET OUR HEARTS TO DEAL WITH ISSUES THAT CAUSE MY  
WEAKNESSES AND RESET MY THINKING - THAT GOD IS WITH ME AND ITS HE  
THAT HAS SENT ME  
IF MY GOD IS FOR ME WHO CAN BE AGAINST ME (ROM8V31)*