

## **Gideon: Mighty Man of Valor**

**Intro:** We need to know God in a real, personal, reverent way. The key to serving God is to know God and have the right relationship with Him.

### ***A) Care in the Relationship***

#### **1. I am with thee (The Proclamation of God's care)**

#### **2. The Protest about God's Care**

- a. Protest of God's Justice (Why has this befallen us)
- b. Protest of God's Power (Where are the miracles)
- c. Protest of God's Faithfulness (The Lord hath forsaken us)

### ***B) Commission in the Revelation***

#### **1. The person for the commission**

- a. An unlikely candidate
- b. Cynical of God's Care
- c. Not an impressive person (In spite of this God still said: Thou mighty man of valor)

#### **2. The Particulars of the Commission**

- a. The Personal-ness of the commission (God told him)
- b. The Priority of the commission (1) Go is a command (2) I have sent thee
- c. The Power of the commission (Go in the strength God can give)
- d. The Promise of the commission:
  - (1) Thou shalt save Israel
  - (2) Thou shalt smite the Midianites
  - (3) I will be with thee

(The first two deal with the success of the mission, the third deals with God's presence)

#### **3. The Protest about the commission**

- a. He lacked fortune
- b. He lacked fame

### ***C) Confirmation in the Revelation***

#### **1. The Matter of the Confirmation (Not a request of doubt by Gideon, but a question, is this of God)**

**2. The Means of the Confirmation (Gideon did 2 thing to help in the confirmation of faith)**

- a. Sacrificed to the Lord
- b. Submitted it to the Lord

***D) Comfort in the Revelation***

**1. The announcement of peace**

**2. The altar of peace**

- a. Wisdom of Faith (The altar indicates that he learned from the revelation)
- b. Worship of Faith (The altar speaks of worship)
- c. Witness of Faith (The Altar was a witness to his faith)