



QUESTIONING GOD

LESSONS FROM THE LIFE OF GIDEON

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Read Judges 6:25-32

Compare these verses with what God had told Israel in Deuteronomy 7:5 and 12:3. Why do you think Gideon was able to do what the people did not? Can you think of a time when you've had difficulty following through on what you knew God was asking of you?

Gideon's first assignment from God involved breaking generational patterns of sin. What makes that so hard?

High stress families often have three rules: Don't talk, don't trust, don't feel. Have you ever had to go up against those in your own family of origin? What was that experience like?

Gideon smashing down the altar and Ashera pole are symbolic of separating from the narratives that defined him and boxed him in. What limiting messages have you been living with? What would it look like to break free of them?

Can you think of a time in Jesus' life when he defined himself apart from his earthly family? What do you see in how he did it?