



First Steps (Judges 6:25-32)

Main Idea

We are called to take a courageous public stand for God

Ice Breaker:

Name a time when you knew what you had to do was right BUT you were afraid to do it

Discussion Questions

1. What is the significance of the altar that Gideon built (v. 24-32)?
2. What do you find is the hardest thing about answering about or doing the will of God?
3. Overnight Gideon built & tore down an altar. Is there something in your life that you need to “build up” for the glory of God? Is there something that you need to “tear down” or get rid of in your life that is hindering your relationship with The LORD?
4. As 10 of Gideon’s servants (v. 27) went to help Gideon tear down the altar they may have thought either of two things; either Gideon is crazy or he’s very courageous for doing this act. Either way you look at it, Gideon had influence on others for taking a stand for The LORD. How can you this week show others practical ways to take a stand for The LORD?
5. In your life now, how can you be better prepare yourself when you face opposition like Gideon did (v. 29-30)?

Read Also: Mark 15:39

Being a Roman centurion you give your life to Caesar & the Roman Empire because Caesar was king & they gave him attribute to this (John 19:12-15). This man's words ""Truly this Man was the Son of God" would have definitely got him in trouble because his fellow soldiers, people passing by mocking Jesus & chief priests (v. 24; 29-32; 35) would have heard him make this statement. His statement is a disgrace to the Roman Empire and blasphemy to the chief priests. This Roman centurion could have kept this statement to himself & only think it BUT yet he made a profound statement because he recognized that Jesus is The Son of the Living God!

Pray: Lord, what do you have for me to do today

Application

May this week you be encouraged by Gideon and this Roman centurion to learn from them to take a stand for God and His truths even in the most difficult situations we face!! Let this not be a statement or something to ponder BUT to actually live it out in your daily lives despite what people may say, think, or do to you.