

## *Fellowship Kids*

# Twos/Threes Lesson Plan - Sunday School

*Sunday, August 10*

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UNIT 8 | SESSION 3

## GIDEON LED ISRAEL

JUDGES 6-7

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**CHRIST CONNECTION:** The Israelites needed Gideon to help them. We need help, too. We need God to save us from our sins. God sent His Son, Jesus, to help us and save us forever.

**MEMORY VERSE of the Month:** PHILIPPIANS 4:19 - "And my God will supply every need of yours..." (ESV)

## Preparation

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### Lesson Context

**This Unit (4 weeks):** Despite Israel's rebellion and attacks from neighboring tribes, God was gracious to raise up judges who would rescue His people from their enemies. While these judges only provided temporary help, they reminded God's people that He would one day provide a perfect Judge to rescue His people from the power of sin.

### Volunteer Huddle | 8:45 a.m.

Meet in the Threes classroom (first floor) for prayer and important info for this Sunday.

### Prep Room | 8:50 a.m.

- Pull out paper and crayons on tables (in Teacher Box)
- If you'd like, put music on the Spotify app on the Roku TV.
- Prep room for any activities you will do during the lesson.

## Fellowship & Play Time | 9:00-9:15 am

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One volunteer should greet children and families at the door.

### FELLOWSHIP TIME

Allow children time to engage with one another and play. Use this time to get to know your students and hear about their week. What was a good part/hard part or “yay duck”/“yuck duck” of their week?

### MAGNATILES & COLORING

For free time before the lesson, ask children to come to the tables and give them the option to either 1) build with Magnatiles or 2) color (paper and crayons in Activity Box). Use this time to ask them questions about their week and get to know them.

**During free time, especially because children are at such a young age, please keep a diligent eye and ear on their words and play with one another.**

**TRANSITION:** Give children a *warning* before you ask them to come to a circle

**SAY** “Everyone, in 5 minutes we are going to pick up our toys and gather in a circle!”

Sing the clean up song and ask children to come find a seat in the circle.

## Activity | 9:15 am

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### REVIEW CLASSROOM RULES

Post the **Rules Poster** (in Activity Box) somewhere in the room.

### MAKE LOTS OF BUBBLE WRAP NOISE!

**SAY** Today we will learn about how the Israelites won a battle. One of the tools God used to scare the enemy army was loud noise. The Bible says Gideon and the 300 men made a lot of noise with trumpets and breaking jars. The Midianites were so scared they ran away before the fighting even began. Gideon’s victory came from God!

Lay out or tape strips of **bubble wrap** (in Activity Box) onto the floor securely. Lead children to jump, stomp, and hop on the bubble wrap to make noise. Talk about which bubble wrap makes the loudest sounds, which movement makes the bubbles pop the loudest, and so forth.

## Lesson | 9:20 am

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*Let children know your expectations during the lesson - that you would like them to sit quietly, keep their hands to themselves, listen to the story, etc.*

### 1. Open the Bible & Pray

Open to **JUDGES 6** in your Bible. **Reverently display the open Bible.**

**SAY** *Today we're going to keep learning from the book of Judges. Judges is in the Old Testament. Let's listen to this true story from God's Word.*

**Pray** quickly for your time in the Word of God.

### 2. Tell the Bible Story

Use the **visuals** (in Activity Box) if you'd like to help children follow along with the story.

#### **GIDEON LED ISRAEL**

Again, God's people chose not to listen to God. So God let the Midianites (MID ih uh nights) rule over them. The Midianites were not nice.

God's people felt sad and remembered how happy they were when they followed God's rules. They asked God for help.

One day, an angel came to a man named Gideon (GID ih uhn). The angel said, "God is with you, brave warrior! God is sending you to save His people!"

Gideon was scared—his family was not strong, and he was the youngest. God promised to help Gideon.

God helped Gideon choose 300 men to fight the Midianites.

That night, Gideon's men stood around the Midianite camp with bright torches. Then, they made lots and lots of noise and blew horns and broke jars! The Midianites got so scared they ran away! God's people were happy.

**Christ Connection:** *God is the one who gives victory. The Israelites needed Gideon to help them. We need help, too. We need God to save us from our sins. God sent His Son, Jesus, to help us and save us forever.*

### 3. Review the Bible Story

- What was the name of the leader who saved his people? (*Gideon*)
- Was Gideon excited or scared to lead the army? (*He was scared.*)
- How did the Israelite win the battle? (*They made noise and broke jars and the Midianites got scared and ran away!*)
- Who gave the Israelites victory? (*God!*)

## 4. Pray

### Memory Verse | 9:35 am

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Open your Bible to **PHILIPPIANS 4:19** and lead the kids to repeat the abridged verse several times, using hand motions if you'd like:

**“And my God will supply every need of yours...”**

**- PHILIPPIANS 4:19**

**SAY:** *God provided his people with a leader to defeat their enemies and God gives us everything we need too! Most importantly, God has given us Jesus to save us from our sins.*

### MEMORY VERSE THEATER

Invite the class to say the memory verse in lots of fun ways. Some suggestions: loud, soft, high-pitched, low/deep, eyes closed, slow, fast, holding your nose, singing, holding your tongue, etc. Get creative and come up with your own fun ways to learn the memory verse.

### PLAY THE MUSIC VIDEO

Have the children repeat the verse with you several times. Then play the memory verse music video from the YouTube app on the Roku TV (*YouTube account should be [Fellowship Kids](#) (switch accounts on the top of the left sidebar if not) > go to [Library](#) on the left side bar > Choose [Playlists](#) on the top > choose your classroom*).

*After the activity, invite children to sit at the tables to complete their activity pages.*

### Activity | 9:40 am

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### RETELL THE STORY WITH TAMBOURINES

Provide each child with a **tambourine** (in Activity Box). First, instruct toddlers to tiptoe around the room. Then, urge toddlers to use their tambourines to be loud! Retell the Bible story.

**SAY** *God's people came to the Midianite camp at night, so they had to be very quiet. Once they got to camp, did God's people stay quiet? No! They made loud noises! They scared the Midianites away. God's people won!*

## Activity Pages + Transition | 9:45 am

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### ACTIVITY PAGES

Invite children to the tables and pass out the week's **Activity Page** (in Activity Box) and **crayons** (in Teacher Box) to each child. Have them work on it as the new Worship Service volunteer team arrives.

### TRANSITION TEAMS

The worship service volunteer team will switch into the classroom at 9:50. **Please do not leave the classroom until the next service's volunteers have arrived and are ready to take responsibility for the class.** Call the Team Lead if the worship service volunteers have not arrived on time.

If needed, let them know about any pertinent information on children, the lesson, etc.

