

Year 2

Week 57

Gideon and the Angel

Scriptures: Judges 6

Key Verse: Judges 6:12 **And the angel of the LORD appeared to him and said, “The LORD is with you, you mighty man of valor!”**

Key Points:

1. The Midianites were enemies of Israel who came and destroyed the crops of the Israelites. The Israelites were starving, and tried to hide their remaining food supplies. They cried out to the Lord.
2. God sent an angel to Gideon while he was threshing wheat in a winepress. He told Gideon that God had chosen him to defeat the Midianites.
3. Gideon asked for a sign and prepared an offering of meat and unleavened bread. Fire consumed the offering and the angel disappeared.
4. God instructed Gideon to tear down the idol of Baal that the people worshipped and build an altar to God. Because he was afraid of the people, Gideon did this at night. Afterwards the people wanted to kill Gideon. Joash, Gideon's father reminded them that if Baal was a real god, he could punish Gideon himself.
5. Gideon asked God for another sign. He put a piece of fleece (wool) on the ground. The first time he asked for it to be wet and the ground around it to be dry. The next time he asked for the fleece to be dry while the ground was wet. God did so. Gideon was convinced and ready to fight.

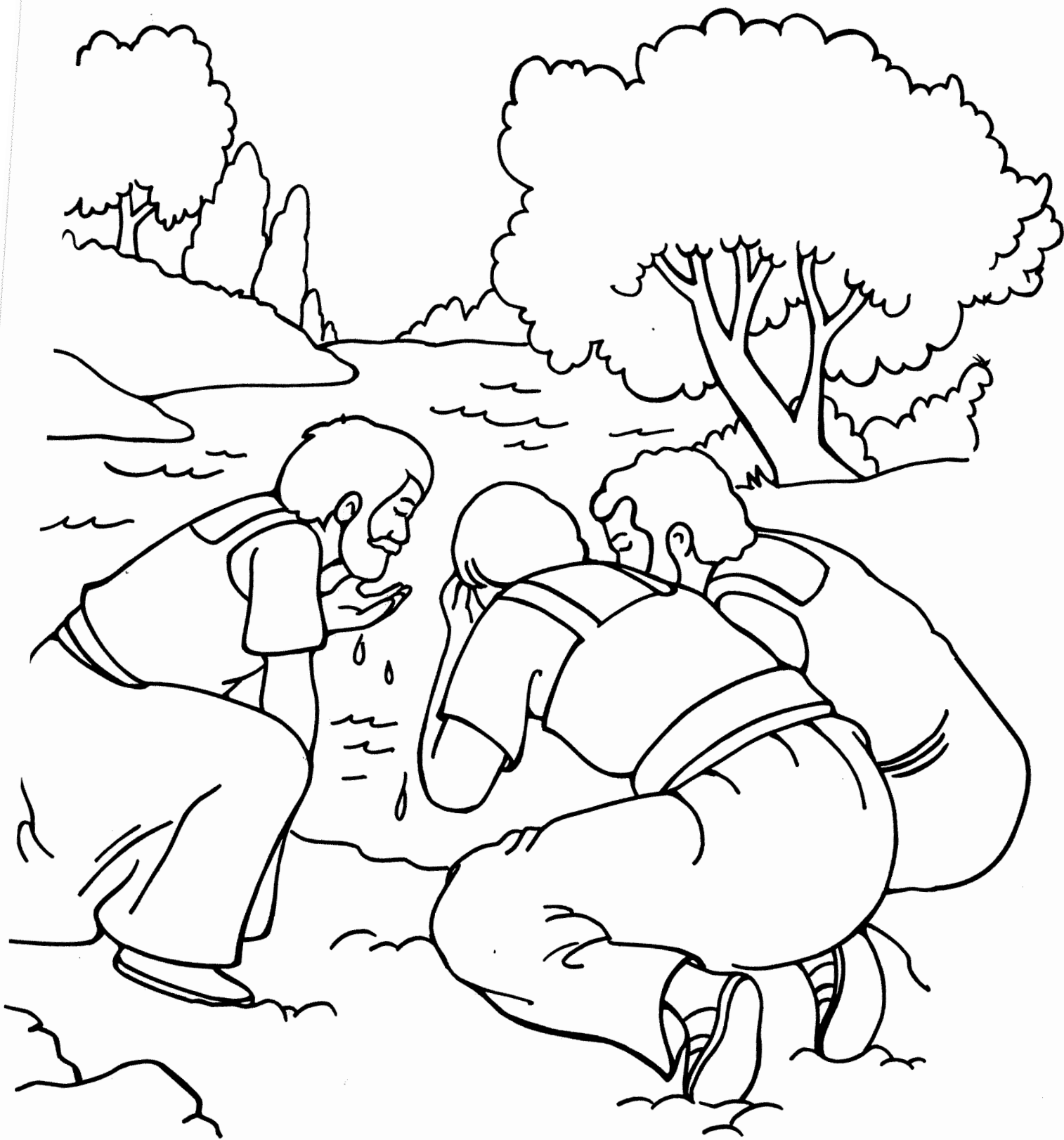
62. THE CALLING OF GIDEON

(JUDGES 6:11-40)



"And Gideon said unto God, If thou wilt save Israel by mine hand, as thou hast said, behold, I will put a fleece of wool in the floor; *and* if the dew be on the fleece only, and *it be* dry upon all the earth *beside*, then shall I know that thou wilt save Israel by mine hand, as thou hast said."

JUDGES 6:36-37



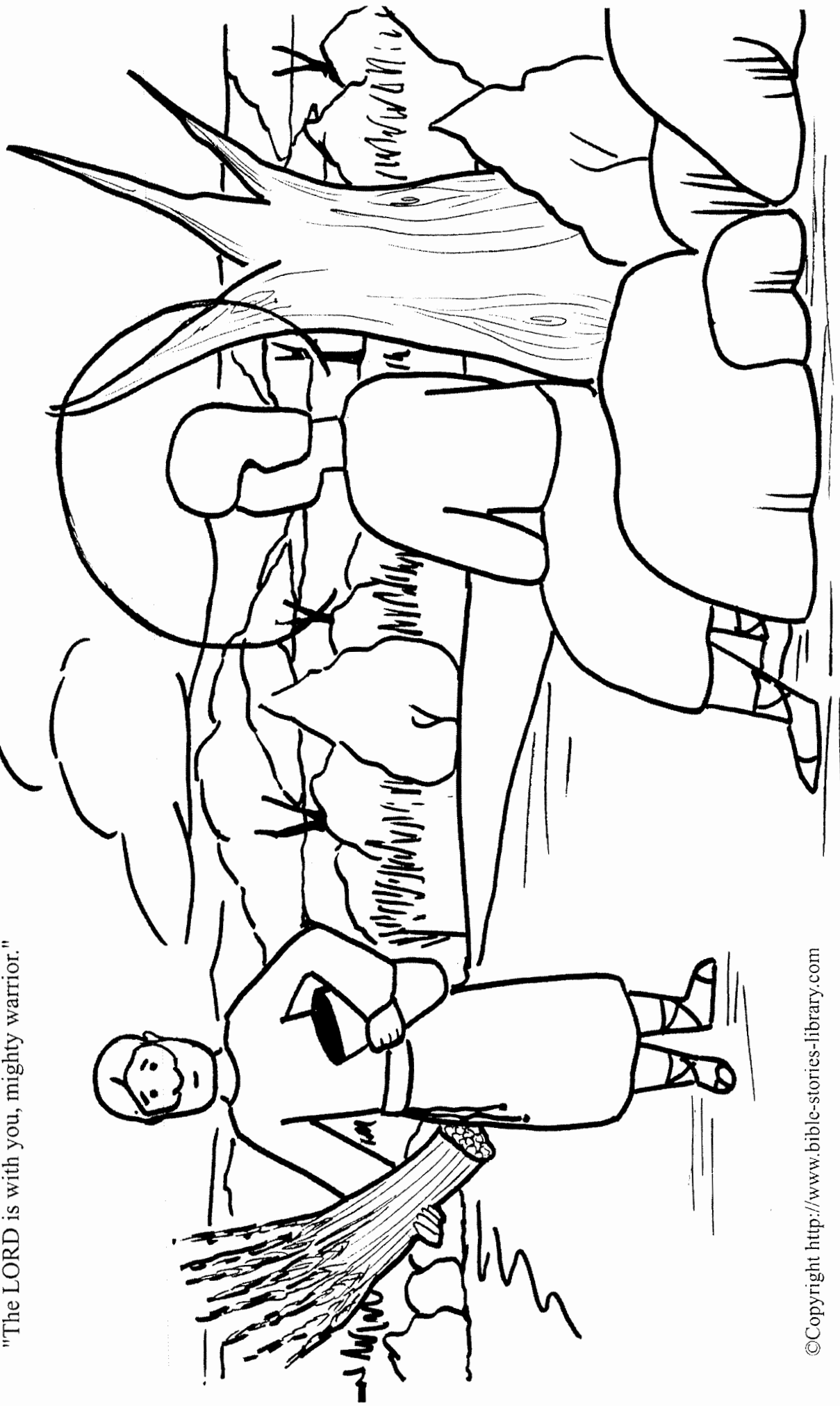
Gideon Is Brave
Judges 6, 7



Even though God had chosen him, Gideon was scared.
An angel came to him and said, "Don't be afraid.
God is with you, mighty warrior!"

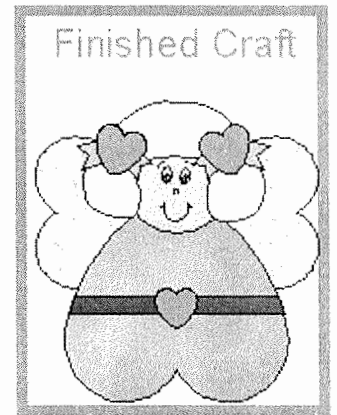
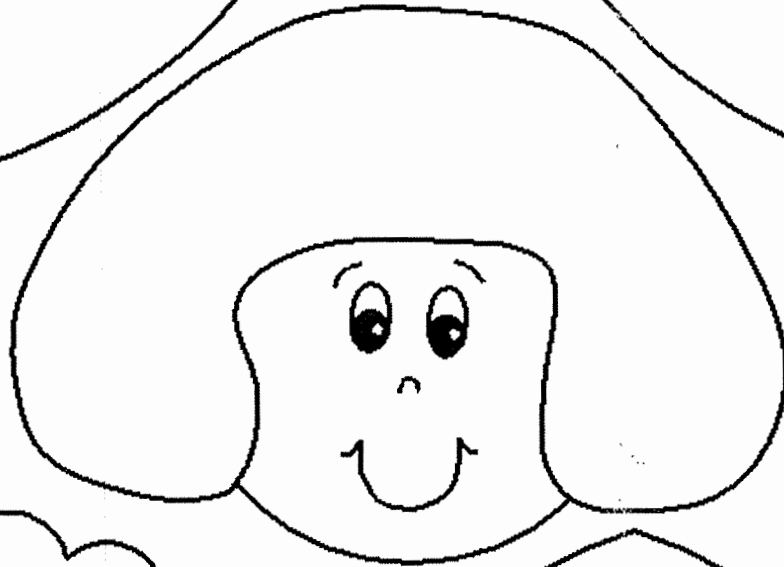
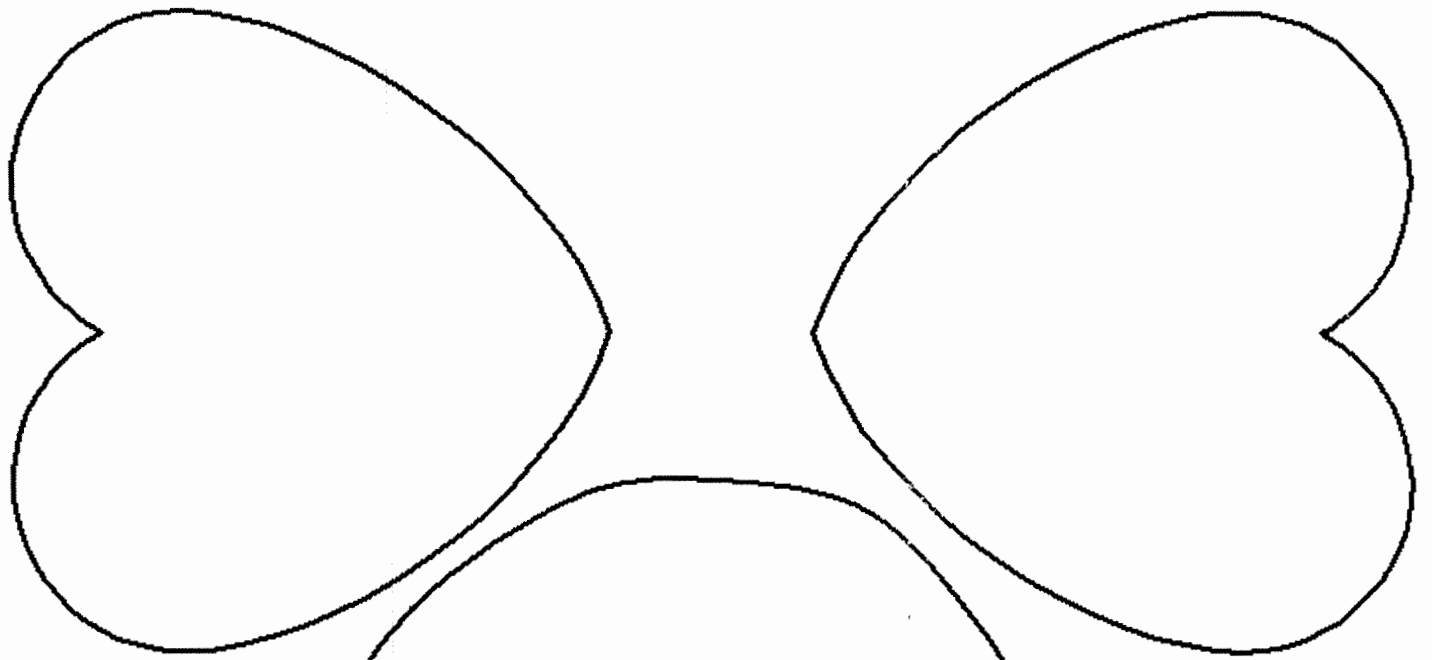
Judges 6:11-12

The angel of the LORD came and sat down under the oak in Ophrah that belonged to Joash the Abiezrite, where his son Gideon was threshing wheat in a winepress to keep it from the Midianites. When the angel of the LORD appeared to Gideon, he said, "The LORD is with you, mighty warrior."

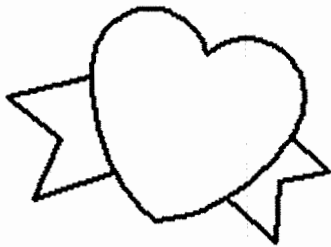


Angel Paper Heart Craft

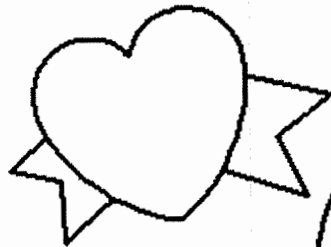
Print out template. Cut template pieces out. Cut heart shapes out of construction paper. Color angel face and glue pieces together as shown. Decorate with ribbons, glitter, etc.



Finished Craft



hair ribbons



belt



Gideon

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t	r	u	m	p	e	t	s	n	r	t	s	e	i	u
h	i	c	a	l	t	a	r	p	o	y	g	r	o	n
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j	k	a	v	z	l	p	w	f	r	z	n	r	r	o
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j	o	d	b	a	w	d	p	g	e	z	z	t	i	f
d	r	i	q	d	e	a	s	i	g	n	l	j	o	n
e	z	m	u	z	l	f	b	k	n	i	r	d	r	j
w	u	v	d	r	e	a	m	f	c	g	p	t	l	v

Gideon

Angel

Warrior

Midian

Manasseh

Sign

Altar

Wool

Fleece

Dew

Dry

Fear

Lap

Drink

Dream

Sword

Trumpets

Jars

Torches

Three hundred

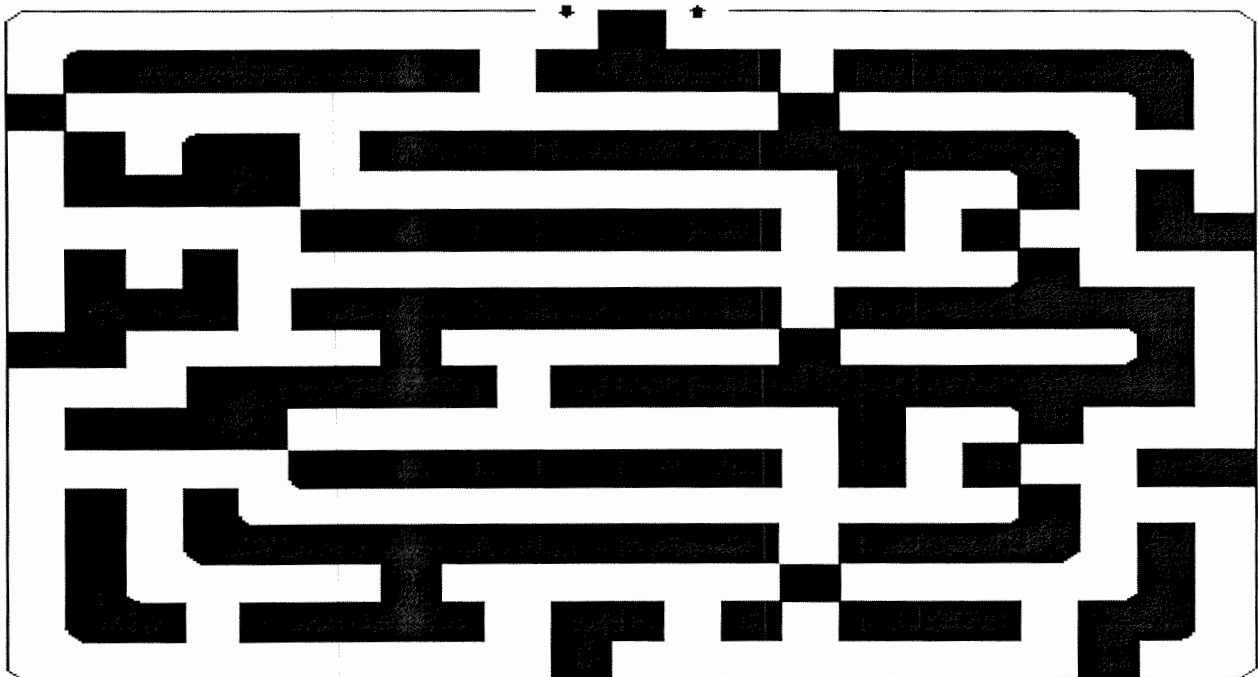
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ALTAR
 ANGEL OF THE LORD
 BAAL
 DEW
 DRY

FLEECE
 GIDEON
 IMAGE
 ISRAEL

LEAST
 MIDIANITES
 OFFERING
 VALOR

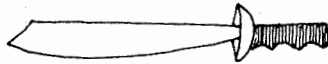


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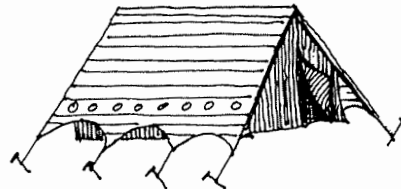
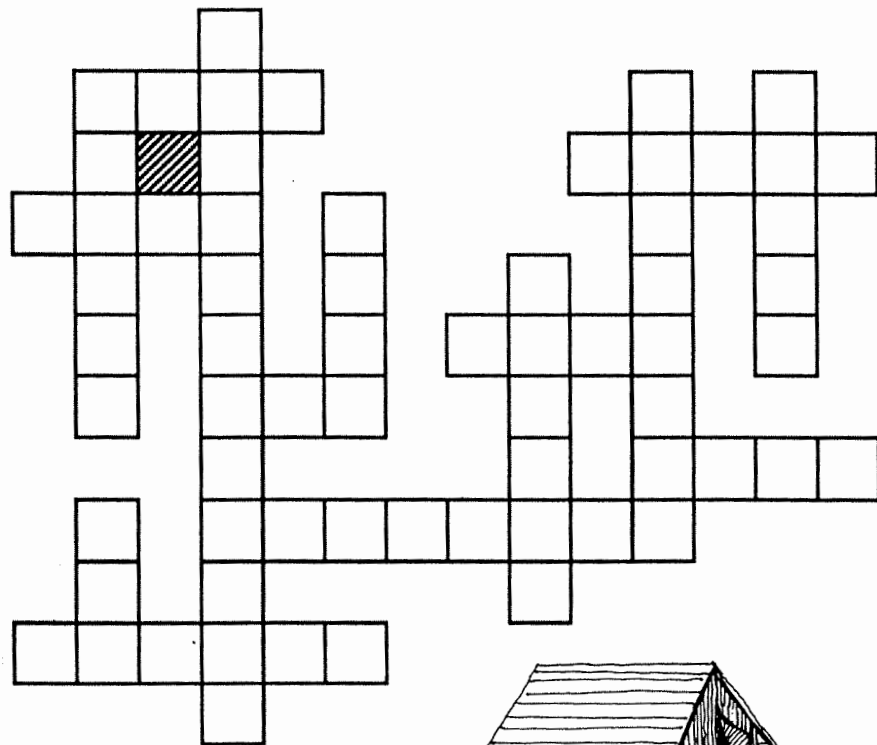
DENS
CAVES
GRASSHOPPERS
OAK
BASKET

ROCK
FIRE
FLEECE
DEW
TENT

BREAD
LAMP
PITCHERS
TRUMPETS
SWORDS



What a strange list of words! See how these words fit together by reading the story of Gideon in Judges 6, 7, and 8. Then fit the words in the puzzle.



Gideon Judges 6, 7

Impossible Odds

The Midianites invaded the land of Israel with so many men and camels that it was impossible to count them. Gideon had an army of only three hundred men. Use the missing alphabet puzzle to discover how Gideon was able to defeat such a mighty enemy. Find which letter is missing from each line and write it in the spaces below.

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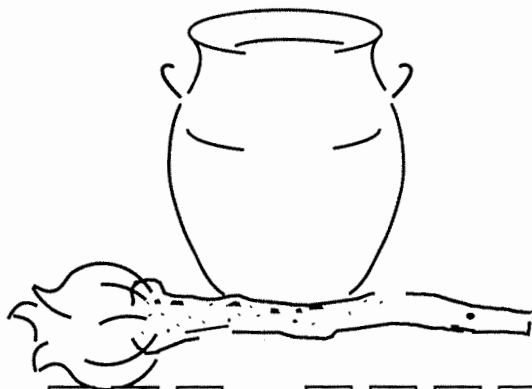
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What Should You Do?

God chose Gideon to save his people. This seemed like a hard thing to Gideon, but he did something that helped him trust in God.

In the word pairs below, one word has a letter that is not in the other word. Write the extra letters you find in the squares. They will spell three words that will tell you what Gideon did, and what you can do when you are facing a tough job.

1. You can find me in PINK but not in KIN.

1	2	3	4
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2. You can see me in DROP but not in POD.

5	6
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3. I'm right there in READ but not in RED.

4. See me in YOWL but not in LOW.

7	8	9
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5. Find me in THEN but not in HEN.

6. I am in COAT, but not in CAT.

7. Here I am in GEAR but not in ARE.

8. I'm found in BOAT but not in BAT.

9. Now I'm in DONE but not in ONE.



62. THE CALLING OF GIDEON (JUDGES 6:11-40)

MEMORY VERSE:

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

FILL IN THE BLANK:

1. "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 _____ threshed wheat in the winepress, in order to hide it from the Midianites." JUDGES 6:11

TRUE OR FALSE:

2. "And the Angel of the LORD appeared to him, and said to him, 'The LORD is with you, you mighty man of valor!'" JUDGES 6:12

TRUE OR FALSE

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORDS:

3. "Then the LORD turned to him and said, 'Go in this (**MIGHT, SIGHT**) of yours, and you shall (**SAVE, LOSE**) Israel from the hand of the Midianites. Have I not sent you?' " JUDGES 6:14
4. "So he said to Him, 'O my Lord, how can I save Israel? Indeed my clan is the (**STRONGEST, WEAKEST**) in Manasseh, and I am the (**LEAST, GREATEST**) in my father's house.'" JUDGES 6:15
5. "And the LORD said to him, 'Surely I will be with you, and you shall (**SEE, DEFEAT**) the Midianites as one man.'" JUDGES 6:16

TRUE OR FALSE:

6. "Now it came to pass the same night that the LORD said to him, 'Take your father's young bull, the second bull of seven years old, and tear down the altar of Baal that your father has, and cut down the wooden image that is beside it.'" JUDGES 6:25

TRUE OR FALSE

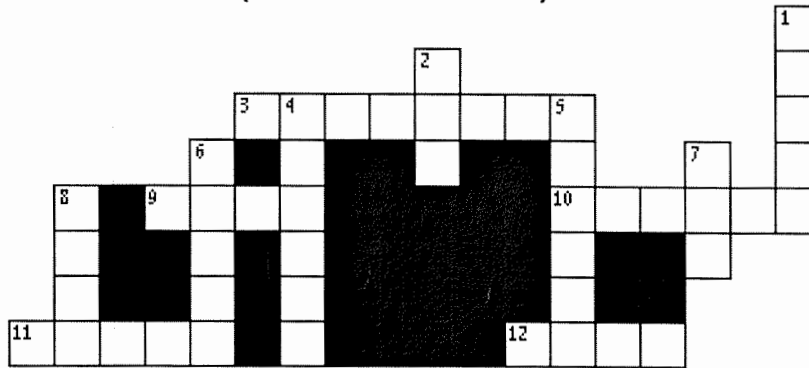
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7. The LORD also said, "Build an altar to the LORD your God on top of this rock in the proper arrangement, and take the second bull and offer a burnt _____ with the wood of the image which you shall cut down." JUDGES 6:26

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORDS:

8. "Gideon said to God, 'If You will save Israel by my hand as You have said-- look, I shall put a (**PIECE, FLEECE**) of wool on the threshing floor.'" JUDGES 6:36-37
9. "If there is dew on the fleece (**ONLY, ALSO**), and it is dry on the ground, then I shall (**KNOW, GUESS**) that You will save Israel by my hand, as You have said.'" JUDGES 6:37
10. "And it was so. When he rose early the next morning and squeezed the fleece together, he wrung the dew out of the fleece, a bowl (**FULL, EMPTY**) of water." JUDGES 6:38
11. "Then Gideon said to God, 'Do not be angry with me, and let me speak just once more: Let me test, I pray, just once more with the fleece; let it now be (**DRY, DUSTY**) only on the fleece, but on the ground let there be dew.'" JUDGES 6:39
12. "And God did so that night. It was dry on the fleece only, but there was (**DIRT, DEW**) on all the ground." JUDGES 6:40

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