

Who Is My King? – The Lord is with you –

Judges 6

Focus:

- The Lord is with you
- Walk by faith not by sight (2 Cor. 5:7)
- The Grace of God
- Faith upon Faith (Romans 1:17)

Background (v1-6)

- Midianites – distant relatives of the Israelites (Genesis 25:1-2)
- The Israelites were oppressed by the Midianites for seven years.
- The Midianites were like locusts, problem after problem
- E.g. Ravi Zacharias
- “As a young boy he dreamed of playing cricket or tennis but was not talented enough to rise to the elite levels, and he was not a good student. As a result of his poor performance in school, his father would often beat him. Depressed and with what he viewed as no options in life, Zacharias attempted to end his life.”
(<https://chvradio.com/christian-news/the-man-who-led-ravi-zacharias-to-jesus>)
- Ravi’s life was problem upon problem similar to the Israelites when the Midianites were like locusts came to impoverish them.
- Have we ever had problems upon problems that were like locusts came and impoverished us?

God’s grace (v7-10)

- God brought discipline for the purpose of building up. God recounted his loving acts towards the Israelites

Irony (v11-12)

- God called Gideon mighty warrior but Gideon was hiding in a winepress to thresh wheat
- God showed up unexpectedly at the winepress

Faith upon Faith based on God’s grace

1. First taste of supernatural (v13-24)
2. Faith has influence, in this case, family (v25-32)
 - Gideon has a nickname, Jerub-Baal – meaning Gideon fight with Baal
 - What is our Baal? For example, money, career, relationship, health, pride...etc?
 - What’s our nickname? Jerub-money, Jerub-career, Jerub-relationship, Jerub-health, etc...
3. Blow the trumpet, filled with the Spirit (v33-35)

Do Not Learn (v36-40)

- Gideon tested God according to Gideon’s plan.
- God was so gracious to let Gideon did that.