



DGM Message Summary: Let Them Go

Key Points:

Judges 6:1-5

- If we insist on living without God, He will sometimes let us do so to see how hard it is to live without Him
- How long are you going to mourn over that broken relationship or hurtful event from your past (this is what God asked Samuel)?
- Gist of the message: at some point in our lives, we have to let that person go and anoint the new person in our lives (or let them go)!
- The Israelites were impoverished
 - Sometimes, it's only when we hit rock bottom that we're forced to look up, and that's when God responds
 - After they cried out to the Lord, He sent a prophet who said
- We have to stop blaming God for our mess
 - Our mess is not because God doesn't love us, but because we refuse to listen
 - We blame God for our poor health, financial missteps, etc. (God is not responsible for what He didn't call for)
- We see ourselves based on the hole we've dug ourselves into, but God sees us based on the way in which we're going to get out (two very different perspectives)
 - God sees what He puts in us, but all we see is what we put in
- If God is really with us, why are we in this mess?
 - First and foremost, you can talk to God and He'll answer your questions (even if it's from a peculiar person)
 - You've had the strength to overcome every problem you've had, so go not in the strength you're trying to get, but come out of hiding and stop being the victim and become the victor
- God knows our capacity and He wants to reveal our strengths to us
- Sometimes, God takes the "least fits" and the misfits because they can be the best fits to fulfill His purpose
- God is the factor we need to meet any obstacle we'll ever face in our lives
 - He's whatever we need Him to be

Judges 7:1

- Some are waiting for people's approval to make a decision
 - If God be for us, who can be against us!

Judges 7:2

- God wants to do something so grand in your life that only He can get the credit for it
 - He'll reduce you to nothing to get your faith to rest on a solid rock
 - That's the point when you realize that without God, you're nothing and that's also when He shows up (in the midnight hour)

Judges 7:3

- Unless we let go of what we have, we are not qualified for blessing
 - God always subtracts before He adds to our lives
 - We only want a blessing, but God wants glory
- In order to get to the place God has destined for you to go, you have to let some people go
- Don't worry so much about the numbers as long as you're with number one
- The real battle is not the sword fight to come; the battle is in whether you have the courage to let go of the people you need to let go of so God can get you to the place he wants you to be

Judges 7:21

- You don't need a lot of people; you just need the right people
- What you are willing to leave behind will determine if you will get ahead
- God has a "next place" for everyone if we show up with the right attitude