EPHESIANS - Our Heavenly Account Statement

"OVERCOMING BY UNDERSTANDING THE WILL OF GOD"

Judges 6:1-40

Lesson #23

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REVIEW:

- A. The Word Judges 6:1-27
 - 1) "...you mighty man of valor."
 - 2) Gideon answers in the same way we do ...
 - 3) <u>IF</u> the Word of God <u>IS TRUE</u>, why are <u>MY</u> <u>CIRCUMSTANCES SO BAD</u>?
 - 4) What God is saying in the spirit, Gideon is hearing **IN HIS FLESH**
 - 5) Show me <u>A SIGN</u>
 - 6) The difference between the voice of God and the voice of our flesh (or the enemy) ...
 - a) God speaks to me about...
 - b) Flesh speaks to me about...
 - 7) If the Word of God is true, why are my <u>CIRCUMSTANCES</u> <u>SO BAD ?</u>
 - 8) The word that God spoke is being applied or understood by the voice of his flesh. This will always take you ...
 - a) To a wrong understanding, application,
 - b) And leave you open to hearing wrong follow up words .

- B. The Fleece..... Judges 6:36-40
 - 1) There is a difference between God <u>GIVING A</u> <u>SIGN</u> and us <u>ASKING FOR</u> one.
 - 2) Gideon: "If You will save Israel by my hand as You have said..."
 - 3) What originates in the flesh will never satisfy or feed the spirit. This is true of our flesh or **SOMEONE ELSE'S**
 - 4) 1 Corinthians 2:9-14 & John 13:6-7
- C. The Vision. Judges 7:9-18
 - 1) This dream was set in motion before the time God tells it to Gideon.
 - 2) God has set things in motion to build you up on His will that haven't hit you yet.
 - 3) To see them you need to be <u>LISTENING</u> and <u>YIELDING</u>.
 - 4) <u>FAITH IN</u> the mission is apart from <u>UNDERSTANDING IT</u>

APPLICATION: See the growth in maturity and faith in Gideon

- (8:2) a soft answer to opposition
- (8:7) a confident answer to opposition

He went from a place of mediocrity to greatly used by God

By changing flesh hearing into spiritual understanding

Excuses and inaction into **belief and obedience**

Faith in what he sees as true into **faith in what God sees as true** Speaking his words into **speaking God's words**.