GIDENON’S SUCCESS AND FAILURE

Judges 8:1-35

Key verse: 23

1. Why did the Ephraimites criticize Gideon (1)? How did Gideon deal with their resentment (2-3)?

2. When his soldiers became exhausted during the pursuit, who and what did Gideon request (4,5,8)? Why didn't they help Gideon and the three hundred (6-9)?

3. What great victory did Gideon and the three hundred achieve (10-12)? How did Gideon punish the people of Succoth and Penuel and kill Zebah and Zalmunna (18-21)?

4. What offer did Gideon receive on the day of victory, and what was his answer (22,23)? Why did Gideon make an ephod (24-27a)? What effect did Gideon's ephod have on Israel (27b)?

5. What were Gideon's last years like (28-35)? What do you learn from the life of Gideon, the judge of Israel?