

Judges 6:11 we serve a sending God.

Principle 1: Focus on God's kingdom not your own stuff. Christianity has become a self focused, self help religion.

Principle 2: Get your identity from God's word. God spoke to Gideon according to his understanding of Gideon's identity, not Gideon's understanding of his identity.

Principle 3: Accept responsibility. Repent, make course corrections and get on with it. Allow God to redeem your story. Gideon blamed God for Israel's situation. Gideon didn't have a clue as to why Israel was being oppressed.

Principle 4: Trust what God is saying to you and obey. Prophecy needs to be obeyed.

Principle 5: Accept the call and receive power

Principle 6: Worship

Principle 7: God doesn't mind confirming His word to you. Your doubts don't stop God. Gideon was constantly seeking assurance.

Principle 8: Tear down the idols causing defeat.

Principle 9: Don't let fear stop you.

Principle 10: God doesn't need human strength. Gideon loses over 2/3rds of his army. Then God pares it down to 300. God told Paul... My strength is made perfect in your weakness. Faith and obedience wins battles... Not talent and ability. Not by might...

Principle 11: Battle with God's word.

A. Light in the pitcher. We have this treasure in earthen vessels.

B. Trumpets are symbolic of the prophetic word of

God.

Principle 12: Don't fall into the trap of worshipping your success.