

**“God’s 300 men!”**  
March 7,2010– 10:30 Outline

**Media Crew:** Bill E. & Stan A.

**STAFF:**

**Attendance:** Terri & Jen

**3-4 Teachers:** Patsy and Ginny

**10:15** Pre-service Media Music  
Media

**10:40** 5 min. countdown  
Media

**10:45** Welcome, Visitors, Birthdays, Konnect (Need a question)  
Christine

**10:50** Object lesson: Dirty Windows (See idea Below)  
Debbie & Karen

**10:57** Praise time (release 3-4 after worship)  
Andy & Sandy

**11:12** Game: Baby food eating contest (see below)  
Jay L. & Jay S.

**11:20** Story: Shakin and Quakin- Gideon  
Andy

**11:28** Object Lesson: God’s Team (See powerpoint in Email)  
Jay

**11:33** Video Clip: Short clip about **Gideon**  
Media

**11:36** Recap on New Series “MEN OF THE BIBLE”

**Materials-** See object lessons below for details. Let me know if you don’t have the stuff. thx

## **Baby Food eating contest** (Jay S. & Jay L.)

Materials: 2 small jars of good tasting baby food, 2 spoons and 4 players

This is a MESSY GAME! Maybe!

Choose 2 players for each team. 2 girls and 2 boys. Put garbage bags over the people who will be eating the baby food! Have the players sit in partners, 2 messy and 2 not so messy players, sitting opposite from each other. Give the not so messy players a plastic spoon and a jar of babyfood. The players who are feeding must be blindfolded...

On "Go" the players with the baby food must “Listen” for the instructions from

the eater to get the food into their mouths.

The player who finishes the jar of baby food, and who gets the most in their partner's mouth wins!

Encourage seated kids to cheer for the girls or the boys. It may be hard to hear but they are trying to pick out the voice that they need to hear.

## **Dirty Windows** (Debbie & Lorna)

Just as it is difficult to see through a dirty window, we cannot see God clearly through a life of sin.

**Materials:** Medium sized glass picture frame or piece of Plexiglas like we use for Oreo munch game., Black washable marker, Paper towels and water.

### **Preparation:**

Remove picture and backing from the picture frame, so you can see through the glass like a small window. (tape if needed to hold glass onto the frame)

### **What you will do:**

You will cover the clear glass front and back with words until you can barely see through it. Then, you will let the children pass the window to each other and try looking at their friends through it. They will have a hard time. Then you will wipe the window squeaky clean, and pass it around again. This time they will have fun seeing each other clearly through the clean window.

### **What you will say:**

Let's pretend this mirror is our life. God sees our lives, and nothing is hidden from Him. Whatever we think, whatever we do, whatever we say, He knows because His is God. But for most of us, our life is not squeaky clean. Let me start with something that makes our life a little dirty.

(Write in large bold letters on the window the word HATE, and show the class.)

Okay, now what other bad things can we write on this window? (Let the class come up with more words, and write them on the window until it is completely covered.) There, I would say this person's life is pretty dirty, wouldn't you? Now, let's pass this around, and as you get it, see how hard it is to see your friends through the glass.

(After everyone has an opportunity, take the window and clean it as you continue talking.)

Now, let me clean up this window, so that it is squeaky clean. God knows the impurity of a man's heart, and it saddens Him. And this sin, all of this dirt, keeps us from God. Jesus came to earth to teach us how much God loves us, and how much God wants us to be with Him. And if we admit that we are sinners, that we are not perfect and pure, and accept Jesus into our hearts, Jesus will clean us squeaky clean.

### BIBLE STORY (Andy)

Gideon was shaking in his boots; no, make that his sandals. He was threshing wheat inside the winepress. The winepress was a large stone tub where grapes were stomped on to make grape juice. Gideon had wheat in there. He was very quietly pounding on the wheat to remove the grain from the husk. Wheat in the winepress? Was Gideon lost? No, Israel was not a safe place to be these days. Marauding bands of robbers, called the Midianites, roamed the country. They waited until the local farmers had done all of the work of harvest, then they came and took all the food. Gideon was in hiding. Maybe the Midianites wouldn't find him there. The Midianites didn't find him there, but God did. God sent an angel to the winepress who said, "The LORD is with you, mighty warrior" (Judges 6:12). Mighty warrior? Was this a joke? The angel explained that God was going to save Israel and that Gideon would lead the Jewish army. His first assignment was to tear down the altar to the false god, Baal, which was on his father's property, build an altar to God, and sacrifice his father's second best bull on it. The "mighty warrior" obeyed God, but did it like a frightened kid. He destroyed Baal's altar at midnight, offered his own sacrifice, then ran home to hide in his bedroom. When angry neighbors came to complain, he let Dad face them alone. Mighty warrior? I don't see one! God did not call Gideon a mighty warrior because of what he was, but because of what he would be. God carefully gave Gideon-the-wimp chore after chore to do, showing Gideon that with God, he could accomplish anything. Every time Gideon obeyed God, he became a little braver. Before the battle began, Gideon truly was a mighty warrior. God had made him one. Do you look at life and feel like hiding in the winepress? You know God has wonderful plans for you, but they are impossible plans. You're a wimp. You'd rather hide in the bedroom with Gideon. God does not give us a project to accomplish without first making sure we can do it. God has an excellent warrior training program. All you need to do to earn a passing grade is to keep obeying. Every time you obey, you will re-discover that God is

always faithful. With each victory your faith in God will grow. Soon you will be the mighty warrior that God needs. Hey, mighty warrior, the Lord is with you.  
Now get out there and start obeying God