

**Sermon: Men and Women Who Overcome The World– Judges**

*The Lord calls us to overcome the world for his glory and bring his peace! But it will take the faith of Gideon to accomplish this.*

**Intro. Things Go Wrong When . . .****I. Living The Oppressive Cycle Of Unfaithfulness**

1. Sin – They disobey and abandon the Lord.
  - Judges 2:11-12, 1 John 1:8
  
2. Oppression - God removes his hand of protection, they become overwhelmed, and their fellowship is broken.
  - Judges 2:14; 6:2, 1 John 1:6
  
3. Repentance – They confess their sin and turn back to God.
  - Judges 2:15, 1 John 1:9
  
4. Deliverance – God sends someone (i.e. Judge) to save them and restore fellowship!
  - Judges 2:18-19, 1 John 1:7

**II. Living The Life Of A Mighty Warrior – Gideon**

1. Know your true self and the LORD who is with you
  - Judges 6:7-10, 11-13, Joshua 1:9
  
2. Go in your weaknesses and God’s strength to save others
  - Judges 6:14-16, Zechariah 4:6, 2 Cor. 12:9-10, Phil. 4:13
  
3. Remove the bad influences of the World and worship God
  - Judges 6:25, 27
  
4. Trust the LORD and overcome the World for His glory!
  - Judges 6:6- 40; 7:2, 7, 18, Judges 6:23-24, 34
  - John 16:33; 20:20-22, 1 John 5:4-5