Bible Study on Judges

JUDGES 8: GIDEON'S MIXED LEGACY

- 1. Judges 8.1-3. Gideon pacifies the offended Ephraimites.
- 2. Judges 8.4-17. Gideon's justice against the treasonous Israelites in Succoth and Penuel
- 3. Judges 8.18-21. Gideon honorably executes the two kings of Midian.
- 4. Judges 8.22-23. Gideon refuses Israel's request to rule over them as a king.
- 5. Judges 8.24-27. Gideon's golden ephod
- 6. Judges 8.28-35. Gideon's mixed legacy.

APPLICATION

- Hebrews 11:34. "Christ takes uncertain and fearful folk, strengthens their hands in the oddest ways, and makes them able to stand for him in school or home or work" (Davis, 107).
- "Gideon served the Lord, but he fell into compromise toward the end of his life"
- Every human failure reveals the need for a divine Savior!