

JUDGES

Wednesday, May 30, 2018
Week 9: A Few Good Men

Scripture Reading: Judges 7:1-25

1. The selection (verses 1-8)

- Your army is too big! **32,000 down to 10,000**
 - The 22,000 that leave shouldn't be viewed as cowards:
 - *It was a direct command from God*
 - *It was socially acceptable according to Mosaic Law*
 - Deuteronomy 20:5-8

- Your army is STILL TOO BIG! **10,000 down to 300**
 - *This is NOT an FDA passage*
 - *This is NOT a test for bravery*

- By verse 7, we know the outcome of the chapter

2. The dream (verses 9-18)

- Gideon's newfound confidence

- Spying of the enemy *leads to encouragement*
 - *The **fascinating words of an unbeliever***
- An interesting battle tactic
- *“For the LORD and for Gideon”*

3. The victory (verses 19-25)

- Battle plans come to fruition
- *Two kings left to be discovered*
- **What do we learn from Judges 7?**
 - *God can always use you*
 - *Never stop trusting in God*
 - *Never stop praising God*