



At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5  
Kings & Kingdoms Part 2: Judges - Esther  
Unit 7, Lesson 34

## Gideon Goes to Battle

Lesson Aim: To know we can trust  
God's plan.

### THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "Blow our trumpets."

### THE WORSHIP THE KING WHO WATCHES OVER US

Sing Bible Memory Verse and other related songs.

It's Praise Time—our time to sing praise to God as the King who watches over us. He watches over us as we praise Him and as we give our offering. Let's do both as we give our offering and sing about God's promise to watch over you. Play: "I Am with You" as background music while collecting the offering.

**OFFERING:** Collect the offering.

God watched over Gideon when he told his army to blow their trumpets. That sounds like our Whisper Verse. Let's whisper, "Blow our trumpets." Review Whisper Verse together: "Blow our trumpets." Include sign language. Let's blow our trumpets and sing about our great God. Sing: "How Great is Our God" as you pretend to blow trumpets.

**WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION:** *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook

God gave Gideon and his army the courage and strength they needed. God gave Gideon the victory. Sing: "I Can Do Everything." If you love the Lord your God with all your heart and soul and mind, then you are in the Lord's army. Soldiers in the Lord's army help everyone love God. Sing: "I'm in the Lord's Army."

### THE WORD GIDEON GOES TO BATTLE CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last time, we learned Deborah was a judge who sat under a palm tree and helped God's people decide what was right and fair. Today, we will hear how Gideon and his army trusted God's plan to win the battle. Handle Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Judges 7:21.

### WATCH THE WORD: JUDGES 7:17-21

Read poem. Display visual.

- One day the Lord told Gideon,
- "My army you shall lead.
- Stand them in a circle 'round the enemy.
- And I'll give you the victory."
  
- So Gideon gave everyone a trumpet,
- And a jar with a light inside.
- He said, "Watch me. Do what I do.
- And shout the battle cry!"
  
- They blew their trumpets and broke their jars,
- And held their lights up high.
- The Lord gave Gideon the victory,
- And the enemy ran away and cried.

What was the Lord's plan for Gideon's army to do with their trumpets? (To blow them.) Gideon said, "We will blow our trumpets!" That's our Whisper Verse. Let's say that together: "Blow our trumpets." Include sign language or hand motions.

When Gideon and his army blew their trumpets, what did the enemy do? (They ran away and cried.) Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read Judges 7:21 from the teacher's Bible.

### THE WAY GOD GIVES US JUDGES

**CRAFT:** Gideon's Torch

**GAMES:** Let's Blow Our Trumpets, Trust God's Plan

**SNACK:** Trumpet Time

**CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

**FINAL FIVE MINUTES**

- COMPLETED CRAFT
- PONDER, PRAY & PLAY
- COLOR THIS STORY

### GOT TIME?

**SAY & DO:** Judges 7:17-21

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES:** Jesus Gives Me Strength!, "God's Strength" Memory Pass

**STORY TIME**