

I CAN BE BOLD

The story of Gideon



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INSTRUCTIONS FOR EDUCATORS

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This Bible story teaching pack is titled "I can be bold: The story of Gideon". This is the retelling of the story of Gideon and the 300 men in the bible. We saw how God sent an Angel to Gideon with a message of hope when the children of Israel were going through a tough time. In the story, we discussed how Gideon, though afraid, trusted God to gain victory over the Midianites.

What does the story mean for kids? Kids will learn that what they listen to can make them afraid or courageous. The word of God gives courage. Kids will also be assured that whenever they are afraid, they can trust in God to give them courage. Lastly, God is always ready to save us from troubles.

The bible references for the story are as follows: Judges 6:11 – 7:23.

We ask that you take the time to prayerfully read the bible references provided and study the materials too. We pray "that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him" (Ephesians 1:17)

We do not take for granted the call and ministry of training kids in a godly way – right from their childhood. Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it (Proverbs 22:6).

We do not underestimate the potentials for kids to understand and store God's word in their hearts from their early age. And that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus

(2 Timothy 3:15).

Ultimately, we do not underestimate the power and will of God to bring these children into an enduring relationship with Him. But Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 19:14).

This is our desire, hope and joy – that each child might come to experience love and grace in Jesus as they understand His words.

In this Bible story teaching pack, you have the following:

1. Story book/cards.

You will get a book or a pack of large cards depending on how you print yours. This is the section that contains the retelling of the story of Gideon and the 300 men. There are words and pictures to hold the attention of the children.

2. Conversation cards

These cards will provide some questions for you to explore with the kids. Encourage them to explore the story and lessons from the story of Gideon and the 300 men using the questions in these cards. Use these cards in a group activity. You will be amazed at what you find out.

3. Story starter cards

Each of these cards contains a story prompt or beginning sentence and a corresponding picture to help kids retell the story of Gideon and the 300 men in their own words. Use these cards in a group activity. They will feel confident that they can tell the story and even go on to tell their friends and families. Are you a parent? You will enjoy listening to your child retelling this story.

4. Memory verse and prayer cards

Print these memory verse cards and ask the children to recite them a few times after the study. Then, ask them to take them home, so they can learn to recite the verses during the week. You can quickly ask them to recite the verse before the next study in the following week.

A prayer card is also provided – please use this only as a guide. The end goal is for each child to be able to use their own words while praying to God.

5. Quiz cards

Questions are provided in the quiz cards. The questions are related to the study; thus, you can assess their understanding in this group activity.

6. Crossword puzzle

Print the puzzle to be used as assignment or solved after the study. The answers are included in the puzzle sheet.

7. Maze

Print the maze to be used as assignment or solved after the study.

8. Word search

Print the word search to be used as assignment or solved after the study. The answers are included in the word search sheet.

9. Word scramble

Print the word scramble sheet and get the kids to unscramble the words. A list of words is provided to make this quick, easy, and fun. If you are using with an older kid, you might want to cut out the word-list section and get them to unscramble the words without using the wordlist.

10. Learn and colour

Another activity aimed at emphasizing the study as kids interact with the pictures and the words.

Please note that the instructions are generic to educators.

You know your child/children best; so feel free to adapt the contents as relevant to the different age groups you are in charge of.

We hope you will find these resources useful in your homes, classes, churches, or any other location where you teach children the word of God.

We welcome any feedback you might have about using these resources. Please send an email to contact@godlypearls.com or reach out to us through our [Facebook page](#).

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A title in the *Bible story teaching pack* by Godly Pearls

Bible References: Judges 6:11 – 7:23

- ❖ *Discuss the story of Gideon from the Bible.*
- ❖ *Discuss lessons from the story and what it means for kids today. Some suggestions are provided in the main story.*
- ❖ *Engage kids in the various activities to reinforce the story and the lessons.*

This resource was designed for parents, Sunday School teachers, Kids club teachers, Christian educators, evangelists, missionaries, etc.

A group of people called the Midianites were always attacking the Israelites and taking away all their crops after they harvested them. God wanted to use Gideon to deliver the Israelites from the Midianites. So, he sent an Angel to meet Gideon where he was beating out wheat in the winepress. Gideon was afraid, so he hid the wheat from the Midianites.

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“The LORD is with you, O mighty man of valor”, the Angel greeted Gideon. Gideon was surprised at the greeting. “If the Lord is indeed with us, why are we suffering this much? No, the Lord has forgotten us”, Gideon replied. The Angel told him that God is sending him to save Israel. “What? Me? I am the least in my father’s house”, Gideon complained.

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God knew that Gideon was afraid, and He wanted to help him. About 32,000 people wanted to follow Gideon to fight the Midianites. God said they were too many. Gideon asked those who were afraid to go back home. He took the rest to drink water. “Set aside everyone who laps the water with his tongue, as a dog laps”, God said. Only 300 men lapped the water with their tongue. The rest went back home.



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At night, God told Gideon to go and spy the camp of the Midianites. He went with Purah, his helper. When they got to the camp, they heard two men talking about a dream. “A cake of barley bread fell into the camp, struck the tent and brought down the tent”, one man said. “God has given Gideon victory over the Midianites”, the other man replied. When Gideon heard these words, he was filled with courage.



Gideon gave the 300 men trumpets, empty jars, with torches inside the jars. He told them, "Look at me and do as I do". When I blow the trumpet, blow your trumpets and shout, "For the Lord and for Gideon".

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Gideon and the 300 men blew their trumpets, broke the jars and held the torches. They then shouted, "The sword of the Lord and of Gideon!". When the army of the Midianites heard them, they ran away, while the Israelites chased them. The Lord has won the battle for Gideon and the Israelites!

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What you hear
can make you
afraid or have
courage.



When you are
afraid, you can
trust in God to
give you
courage.



God is always
ready to save us
from troubles.
God is greater
than all our fears.

God is
greater than
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QUIZ CARDS

Why did Gideon hide wheat from the Midianites?

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How many men finally went with Gideon to fight the Midianites?

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How did God select the men who finally went with Gideon?

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What did the Angel tell Gideon when he saw him?

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What was Gideon doing when the Angel of the Lord appeared to him?

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What was the name of Gideon's helper?

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How many men initially followed Gideon to fight the Midianites?

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What was the dream Gideon and his helper heard at the camp of the Midianites?

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What items did Gideon give the 300 men?

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1

Gideon was...



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2

An Angel ...



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3

Only 300 men ...



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4

Gideon and his...



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5

Gideon gave 300
men...



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6

Gideon and the 300 men
blew...



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CONVERSATION CARDS

What makes you afraid?

1

What can you do to be bold and not afraid?

2

Do you sometimes think you are too little to do big things? Why do you think that way?

3

Mention some bible verses that can remind us that God is always with us.

4



I CAN MEMORIZE



"Whenever I
am afraid,
I will trust in
You".

Psalm 56 : 3

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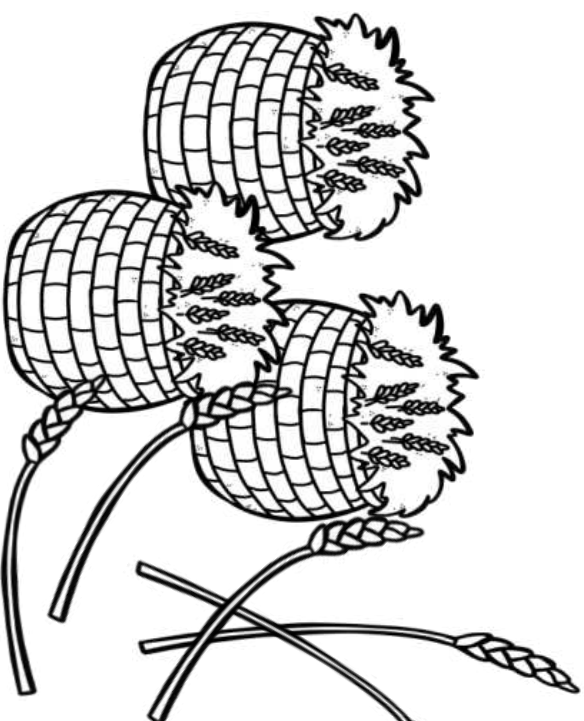
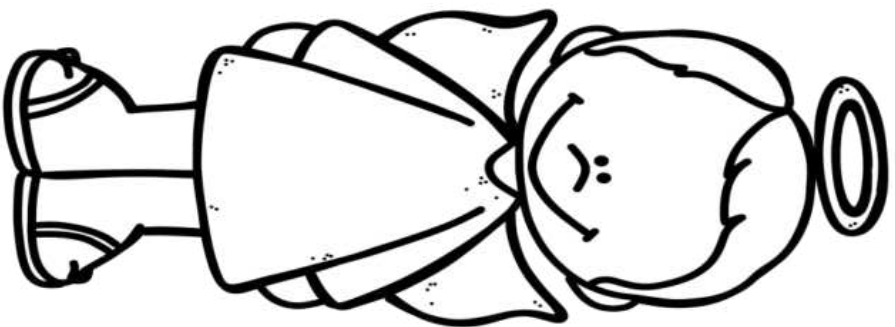
I CAN PRAY



Dear God, thank You
because when I am
afraid, I can trust in
You. I ask that you help
me to be bold in Jesus'
name.
Amen.

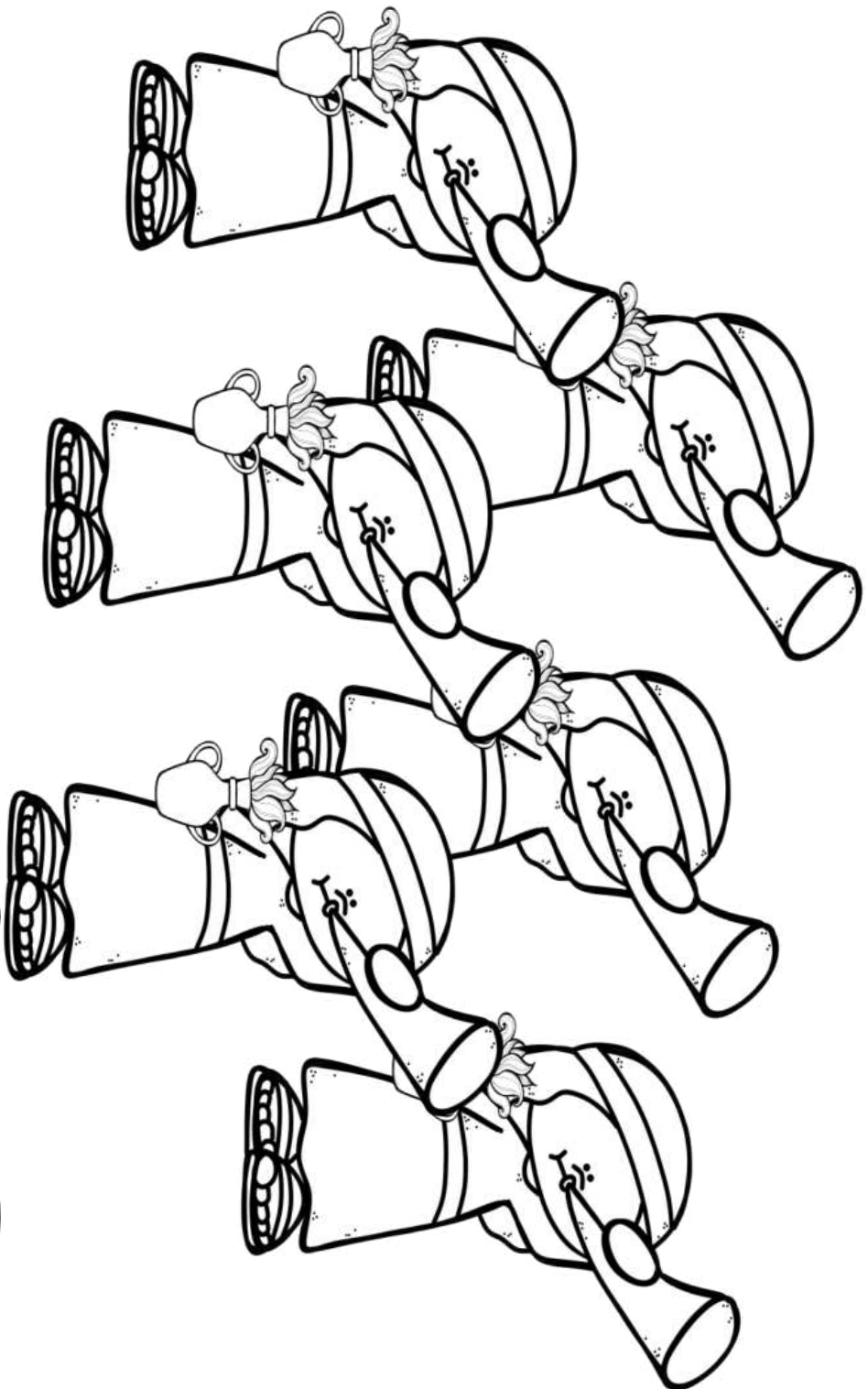
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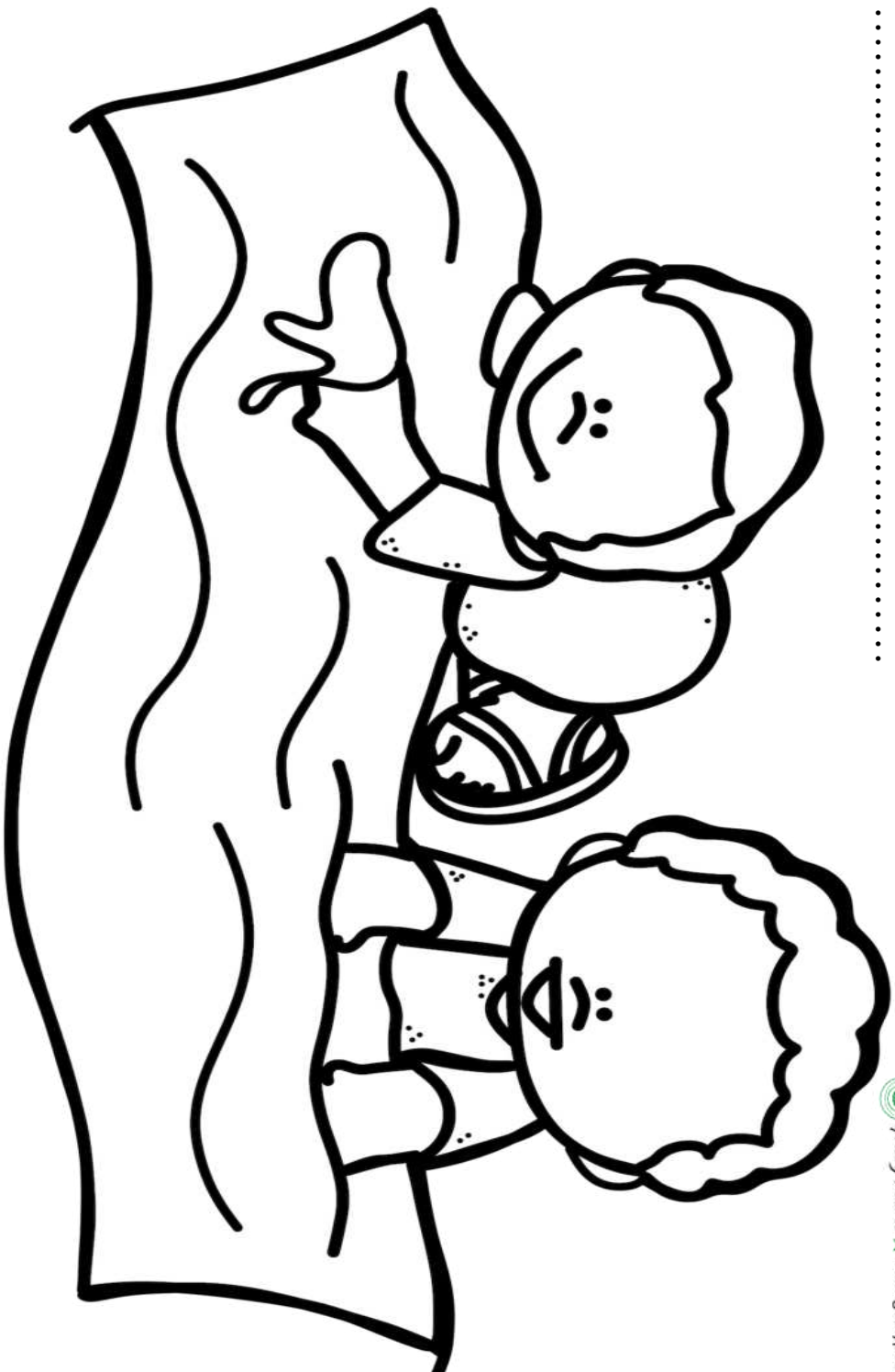
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Word Search

Find and circle the words below

Name:

a	s	l	n	a	A	u	v	q	v	q	x
u	o	f	c	n	p	a	d	r	e	a	m
u	g	n	g	v	k	n	p	m	m	l	w
p	e	e	d	G	i	d	e	o	n	t	y
r	l	w	i	t	p	m	g	a	o	k	f
u	p	e	a	g	e	e	l	r	i	z	n
t	w	w	r	a	w	p	c	h	j	v	j
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l	q	p	a	s	t	h	e	u	h	o	p
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o	q	s	p	j	r	n	n	n	m	t	w
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Gideon
Trumpet
Angel
Wheat



Afraid
Water
Dream
Torch



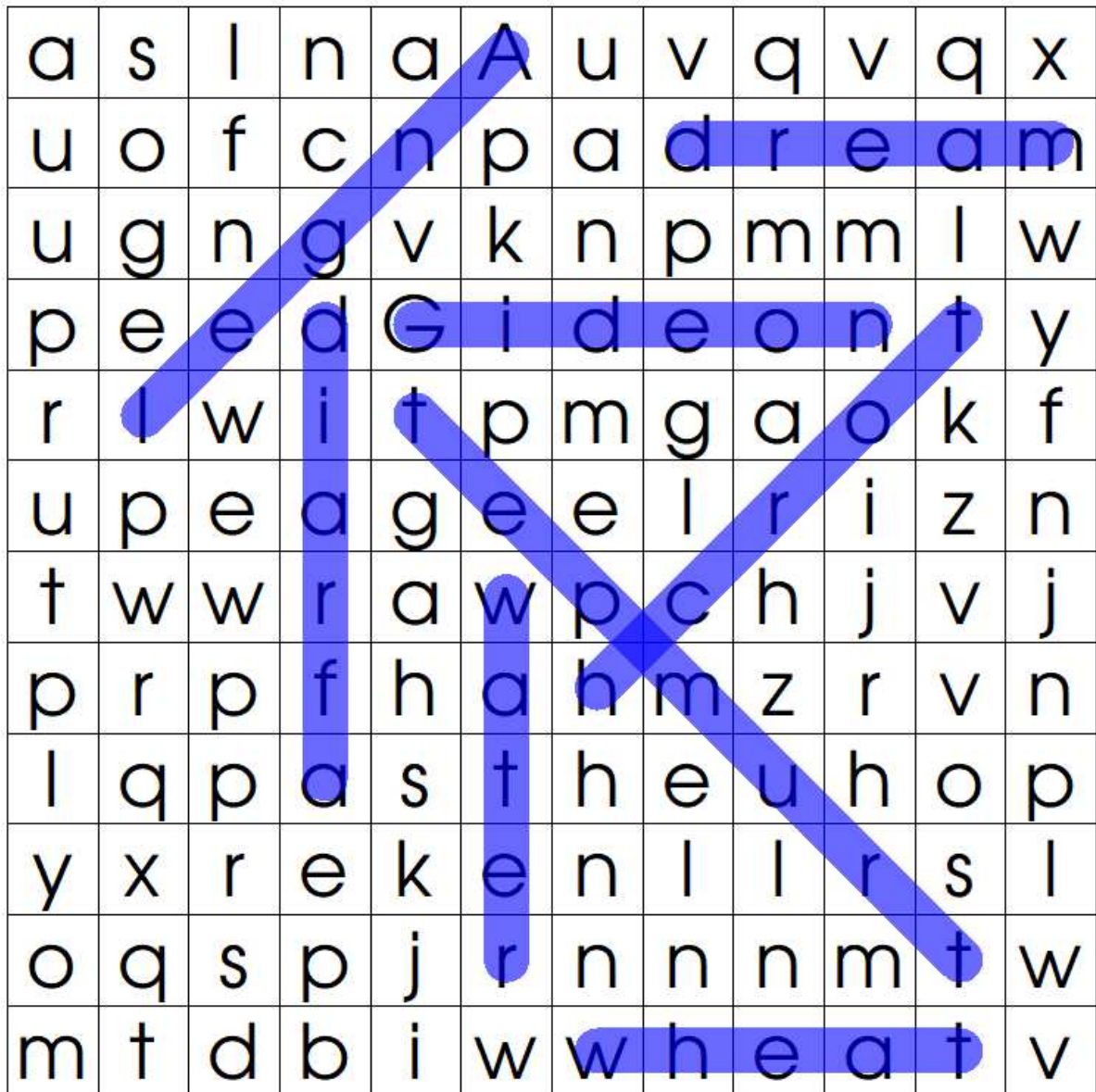
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Word Search - answers

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Trumpet		Water
Angel		Dream
Wheat		Torch



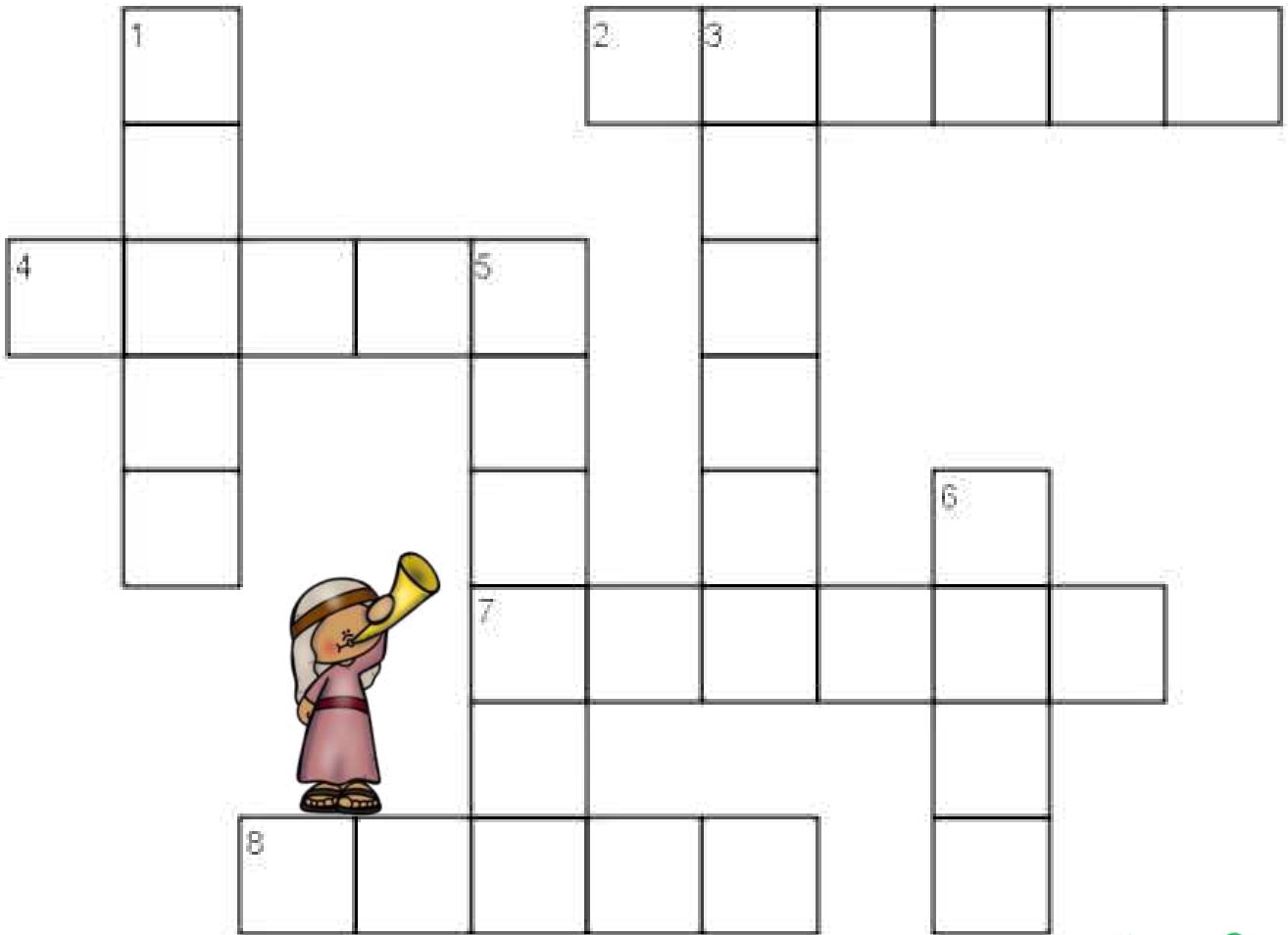
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Crossword Puzzle

Read each clue. Then, write the missing word in the puzzle.

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Across

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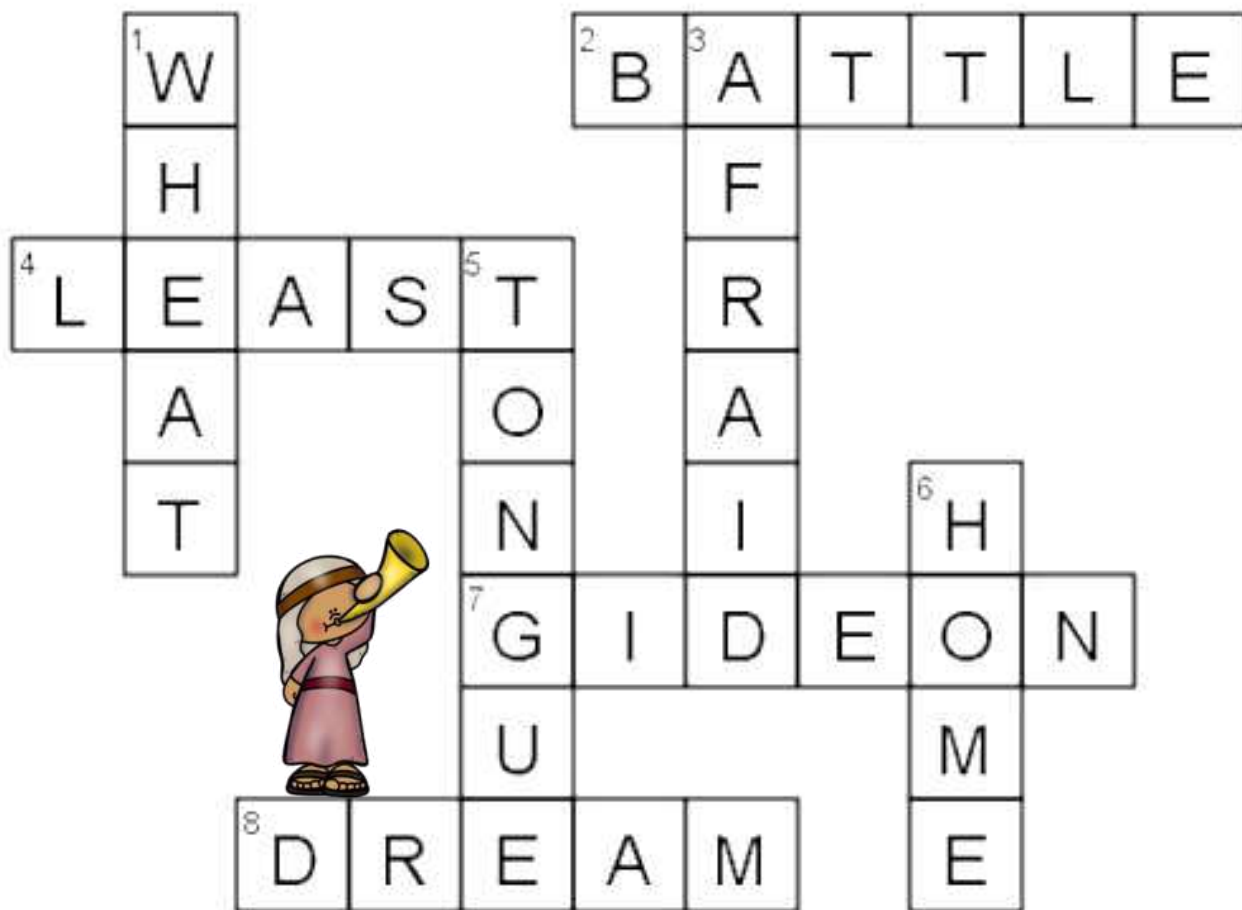
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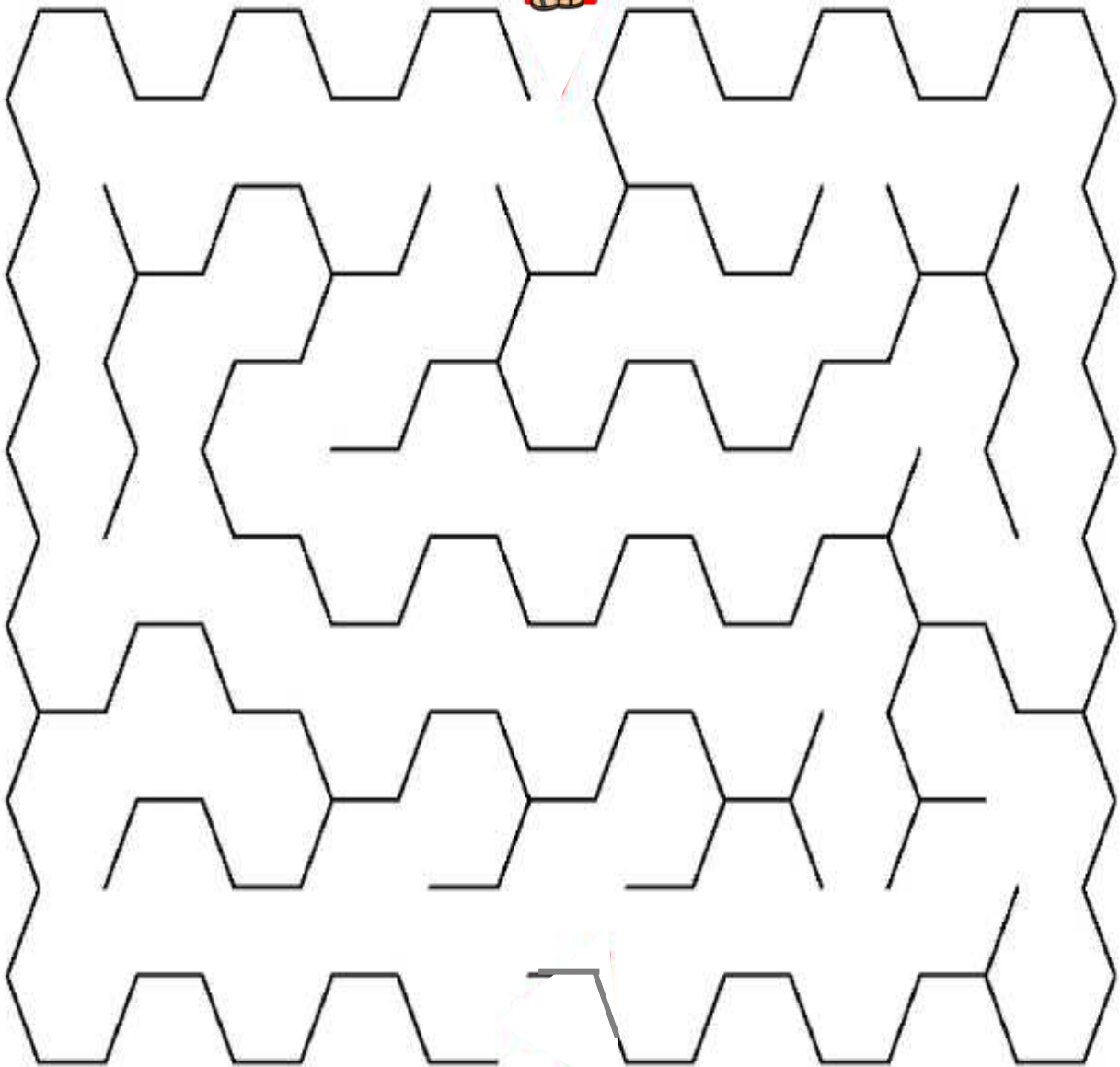
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Puzzle sheet

The Angel has a message for Gideon. Help the Angel get to Gideon!

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Word Scramble

Instruction: Unscramble the words below using clues from the word list

Name:

GDNIOE

HTAEW

RVCYTOI

AAFRDI

APCM

ISEERPWSN

TTUPMRE

SIIMDIAETN

Word list

Midianites
Winepress
Victory
Camp



Afraid
Wheat
Trumpet
Gideon