SERIES: JUDGES
Title: The Call of Gideon

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The prophet is making an essential point. Verse 7 says that the sons of Israel cried to the Lord on account of Midian, the yearly invaders from the desert to the south. They said their problem was Midian, but the prophet said their problem was their worship of Baal. The reason that they are weakened before their enemies and unable to deal with their problems is that they have chosen to worship and put their faith in something other than the true God. As a result, they have become hollow and ineffective and are easily overwhelmed. - Steve Zeisler 1) How has the Lord on some occasion brought you low so that you would turn to Him for deliverance? 2) What types of questions and doubts do you express to the Lord from time to time?

One of the great truths of Scripture is that when God looks at us, He does not set us for what we are, but for what we can become, as He works in our lives. He is it the business of taking weak, insignificant people, and transforming them by His presence in their lies. He begins with us where we are, as we are. He knows our weaknesses, failures, discouragements, doubts, and inadequacies, but He does not say, 'You get rid of those, and then I can use you.' Rather, He comes to us in our weakness with the promise of His presence that will transform our inadequacinto His strength Gary Inrig
Under what circumstances do you have the greatest sense of the Lord's enabling presence?
4) What types of fears give you the most problem?
The greatest detriment to spiritual progress is our thinking <u>we</u> can do it Alistair Begg