

Judges 6 • From Farmer to Warrior

1. (v.1-6) This is not purely a **test** of faith, but far more the **consequences** of sin.
2. (v.7-10) When it comes to reconciliation of sin for the **backslidden**, immediate relief from the consequences is not **guaranteed**. The first stage may be **reproof** on the issue of sin.
3. (v.11-16) The called of God may need to first be awakened to trusting in **themselves** as a prelude to trusting **God**.
4. (v.17-23) The called of God approach Him in **faith** in all matters of **faith**. They are quick to render to **God** that which is due **God**.
5. (v.24-27) The repentance and reconciliation of the **whole** is repeatedly demonstrated throughout Scripture as always beginning with the **few**, or even the **one**. It always begins with **repentance** as exemplified by the altar.

6. (v.28-32) Those authentically called by God often preface their greater **global** work by first setting things right **locally**. It **prepares** them for the greater work to come.
7. (v.33-35) Those called by **God** in turn are used by **God** to call others to **God**.
8. (v.36-40) Those called by God may certainly seek **confirmation** from God, which he will most assuredly affirm by a **test** of faith in Him.

Overall Application:

- *It begins with the singular **calling** of an individual.*
- *The first work is an individual **sacrifice** and **offering** to God. (Rom. 12:1-2)*
- *This is closely followed by cleaning up the immediate area of **influence** to establish a spiritual **stronghold** in the Lord.*
- *It then influences those **closest**, always involving true **repentance** combined with a return to the **Word**.*
- *There will be **tests** of faith along the way.*
- *The individual **calling** always results in the greater **glory** of God.*