“Gideon; Zero to Hero”
Judges 6:11-18

A. A Call to Faith (vs. 11-12):
   1. Most likely Christ, the pre-incarnate messenger of God.
   2. The sitting down means the angel knew it would take a while to convince Gideon.
   3. Gideon was content to deal with life the way it is.
   4. Gideon had found a secure resolution to his problem.
   5. God knew Gideon’s strengths and weakness and God still selected him.
   6. The ‘angel of the Lord’ knew more about Gideon than he did.

B. The Need for Faith (vs. 13):
   1. Gideon does not run when the angel appears – no fear.
   2. Gideon is respectful but very perplexed.
   3. Gideon believes that the Lord who has all power has done nothing about the problem.
      a. While God’s people suffer God does not defend them.
      b. There has been no miracles like it was for Moses.
      c. It seems like God brought them there and forgot about them.

C. A Lack of Self-Confidence (vs. 14-17):
   1. The Lord commanded him to go in the direction of God’s plan.
   2. He must remove his people from the burden and danger of their oppressors.
   3. Gideon’s says he has no idea what to do.
   4. Gideon’s perspective of himself is far different that how God views him.
   5. ‘As one man’ - It is God who will fight and win the battle.
   6. Gideon would only believe if God gives a sign.

D. When I Can’t See God’s Hand, Trust His Heart (vs. 18):
   1. Gideon pleads with intense urgency for the Lord wait for his return.
   2. Gideon choose to have genuine relationship with God.
   3. Gideon still struggled, but he trusted that God was present.
   4. God patiently waits and works with Gideon.
   5. The Lord told Gideon He is with him, so God waited.