

SERMON NOTES

Date: July 11, 2021

Series: Judges

Title: Gideon: Failure to Finish Well

Text: Judges 8:1-28

Big Idea: Though our ultimate success in fulfilling God's calling on our life is achieved in His power and strength, we will not succeed if we fail to finish well.

APPLICATION GUIDE

DISCUSS

Have you ever witnessed a once faithful Christian falter at the end of their life?

What kind of impact did that have on you?

What hope does the Gospel of Jesus Christ provide both them and you?

APPLY

Are there areas of your life and work where you believe you should receive more recognition than you do?

How can the gospel help you respond to your success, and when you don't get the recognition you believe you deserve?

In what ways are you tempted to be a *glory thief* like Gideon?

What steps can you take to make sure you give God all the glory for the great things he has done?

If you could precisely know the finish line of your earthly life, what things would you do to make sure you finish well for the Lord and his glory?

COMMIT

Begin each day with this simple prayer, "Lord, rule over me that I would not try to rule myself."

Read Judges 8:29-12:7 in preparation for next week.