



THE CONFIRMATION ENDORSED – V16-24

THE PROVOCATION - V16-17

The Lord said to him, "Ah, but I will be with you! You will strike down the whole Midianite army."

Gideon¹ said to him, "if you really are pleased with me, then give me a sign as proof that it is really you speaking with me."



THE PRESENTATION - V18-21

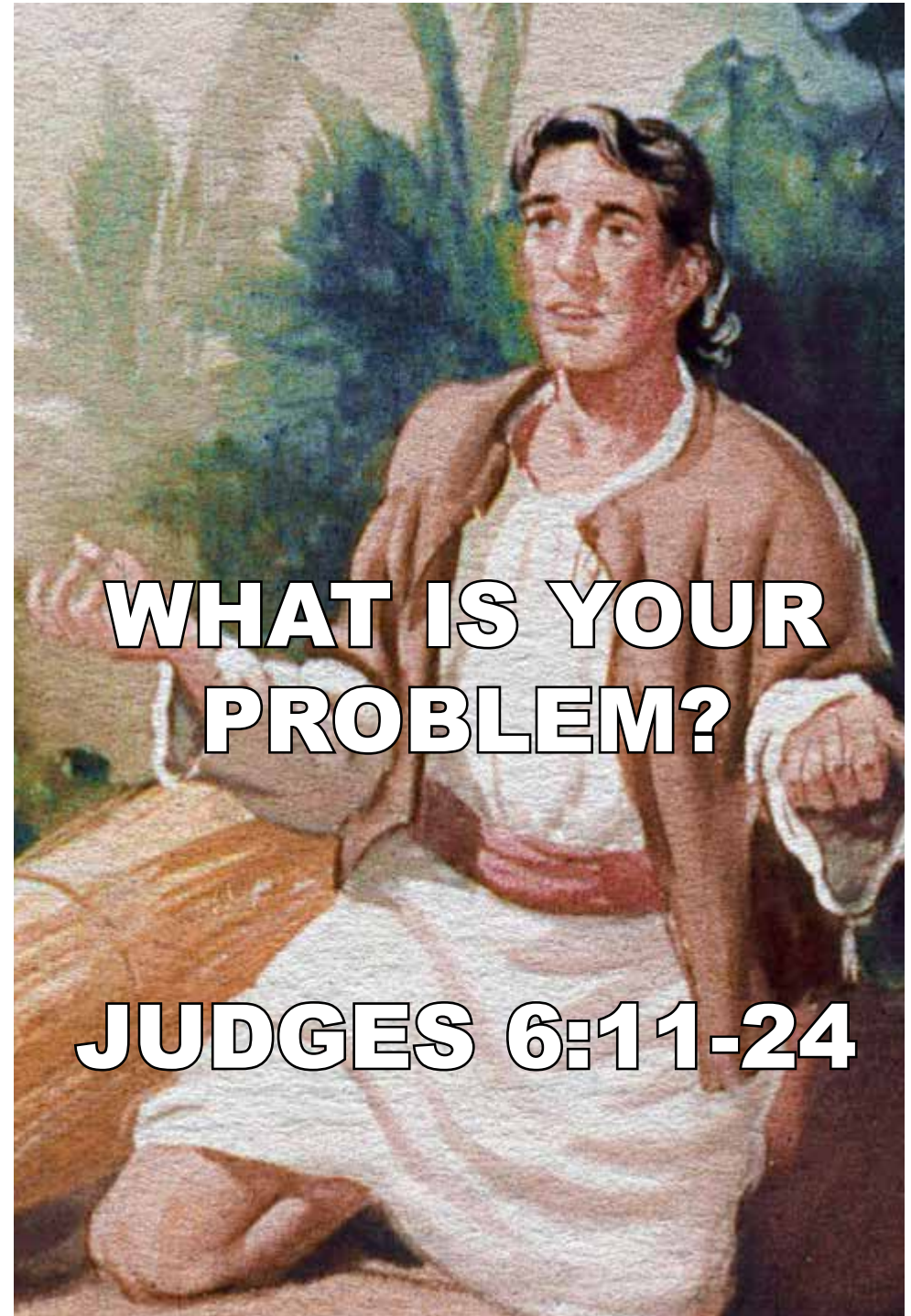
Do not leave this place until I come back with a gift and present it to you." The Lord said, "I will stay here until you come back." Gideon went and prepared a young goat, along with unleavened bread made from an ephah of flour. He put the meat in a basket and the broth in a pot. He brought the food to him under the oak tree and presented it to him. God's angel said to him, "Put the meat and unleavened bread on this rock, and pour out the broth." Gideon did as instructed. The angel of the Lord touched the meat and the unleavened bread with the tip of his staff. Fire flared up from the rock and consumed the meat and unleavened bread. The angel of the Lord then disappeared.

THE PROMISE - V22-24

When Gideon realized that it was the angel of the Lord, he said, "Oh no! Sovereign Lord! I have seen the angel of the Lord face-to-face!"

The Lord said to him, "You are safe! Do not be afraid. You are not going to die!"

Gideon built an altar for the Lord there and named it "The Lord is on friendly terms with me." To this day it is still there in Ophrah of the Abiezrites.



WHAT IS YOUR PROBLEM?

JUDGES 6:11-24



**THE CALL
EXPLORED
– V11-12**

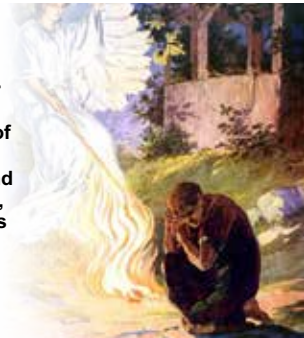
THE PLACE - V11

The angel of the Lord came and sat down under the oak tree in Ophrah owned by Joash the Abiezrite. He arrived while Joash's son Gideon was threshing wheat in a winepress so he could hide it from the Midianites.



**THE
PROMISE -
V12A**

¹The angel of the Lord appeared and said to him, "The Lord is with you,



**THE
POTENTIAL -
V12B**

courageous warrior!"



**THE
CRISIS
EXAMINED
– V13-16**



**THE PRESENCE -
V13A**

Gideon said to him, "Pardon me, but if the Lord is with us, why has such disaster overtaken us? Where are all his miraculous deeds our ancestors told us about?"



**THE
PERFORMANCE -
V13B**

They said, 'Did the Lord not bring us up from Egypt?' But now the Lord has abandoned us and handed us over to Midian.'



**THE PROBLEM -
V14**

Then the Lord himself turned to him and said, "You have the strength. Deliver Israel from the power of the Midianites! Have I not sent you?"

