

## Emmanuel Prayer List January 2022

**Note: The monthly prayer list can be accessed on the Emmanuel Website Crowe's in Ukraine**

- God's hand of protection and wisdom to surround Bruce, Deb and family as they seek God about returning to Ukraine.
- Bless the family, teams in Ukraine, teens, and widows living in uncertain times.
- God's divine intervention to bring His peace between Russia and Ukraine.

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9. What do you think it means when 2 Cor 10:4 says that the weapons we fight with, "...have divine power to demolish strongholds?"

Do you think it might be a lack of trust when we choose to take matters into our own hands, and do things our way, to win our battles?

10. Peter gave four aspects of spiritual weapons. The first was the Word of God. Read Eph 6:17 and Heb 4:12. How does the Word of God give us what we need to win battles?

11. The second was prayer. Read 1 John 5:14-15 and James 5:16. How do you view the power of your prayers?

If you have prayed about something and it seems that nothing has changed, does that mean that God isn't dealing with your situation? (See Q.3 again)

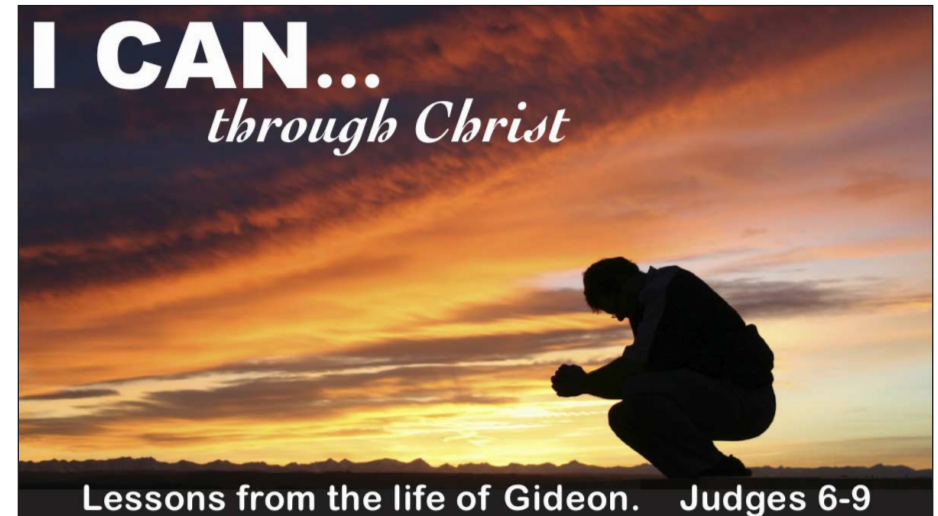
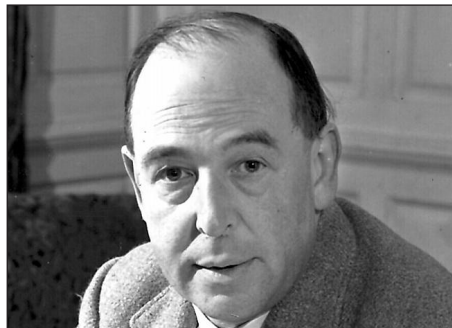
12. The third was love. How can choosing to love someone, the way Christ loved us, bring victory? (Read 1 Cor 13:4-8a and Romans 12:21)

13. The last of those "weapons" was trusting in a faithful God. Ultimately, this is the greatest of those weapons that have divine power to demolish strongholds. What do you think it means to put your trust completely in a "faithful" God?

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**C.S. Lewis**  
(1898–1963)

"There are two kinds of people: Those who say to God, 'Thy will be done,' and those to whom God says, 'All right, then, have it your way.'"



*"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."*

*Philippians 4:13*

1. Knowing God - Learning to live by faith
2. The Lord is Peace - Shut the door on sin
3. Recognising God's call on your life
- 4. The importance of doing God's will, God's way**
5. Learning to trust God in difficult circumstances
6. Being faithful to the end

## GOD'S WILL, GOD'S WAY - Judges 7:1-8

One of the greatest things that we need to learn is...

### GOD'S PLAN, NOT MY PLAN

v.1-2 The reason why God said, "you have too many men" =

Prov 14:12 There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end...

One of the great problems of mankind is:

2 Cor 12:9-10 My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in

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### MY PART IN GOD'S PLAN God wants people in His army who are:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (v.3)

Courageous in what way?

2. \_\_\_\_\_ (v.4-6)

1 Pet 5:8; Eph 6:12

3. \_\_\_\_\_ (v.7)

Judges 7:7 With the three hundred men that lapped \_\_\_\_\_ will save you...

2 Cor 10:4 The weapons we fight with are \_\_\_\_\_ the weapons of the world

a. \_\_\_\_\_ (Eph 6:17; Heb 4:12)

b. \_\_\_\_\_ (1 John 5:14-15; Jas 5:16)

c. \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Cor 13:4-7)

d. \_\_\_\_\_

1. We all face battles in our lives. Sometimes the battle is with other people, with our health, financially, within us - there are many types of battles. How hard do you find it to trust in God in the middle of a battle?

2. Read Judges 7:1-2. What was the reason that God said to Gideon that he had too many men?

Why is that a problem?

3. Read 2 Corinthians 12:6-10. What was the reason that Paul was given his 'thorn in the flesh'?

This 'thorn' tormented him, so it must have been bad. He cried out to God to take it away. What was Paul's ultimate response to this?

4. As seen in question 3, trusting in God doesn't necessarily mean that the outcome will be what we want. How hard is it to come to the realisation that the outcome of our situation is in God's hands, and he knows what is best. (Also read Philippians 1:12-14, to see how we need to try to see a different perspective on our problems / battles etc.)

5. Read Judges 7:3. God wants people in His army who will be courageous. What is the difference between what we might call courageous, and what God would call courageous? (also read CS Lewis' quote of the back cover)

6. Read Judges 7:4-6. God wants people who are alert and ready. In what way are we to be alert and ready? (Also read 1 Pet 5:8; Eph 6:12)

7. Read Judges 7:7-8. What is the key word in verse 7? If we are going to trust God, we must do God's will, God's way. What do you think is the difference between simply wanting God's will to be done, and being prepared to doing it God's way?

Why is it so important for us to do God's will, God's way?

8. Read 2 Corinthians 10:4. What are the ways that the world fights it's battles? Don't just think about wars etc. but also personal battles such as a person who seems to be against us, financial issues, trouble with a boss, or with a company, or agency, that isn't doing what they said they would do etc.

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