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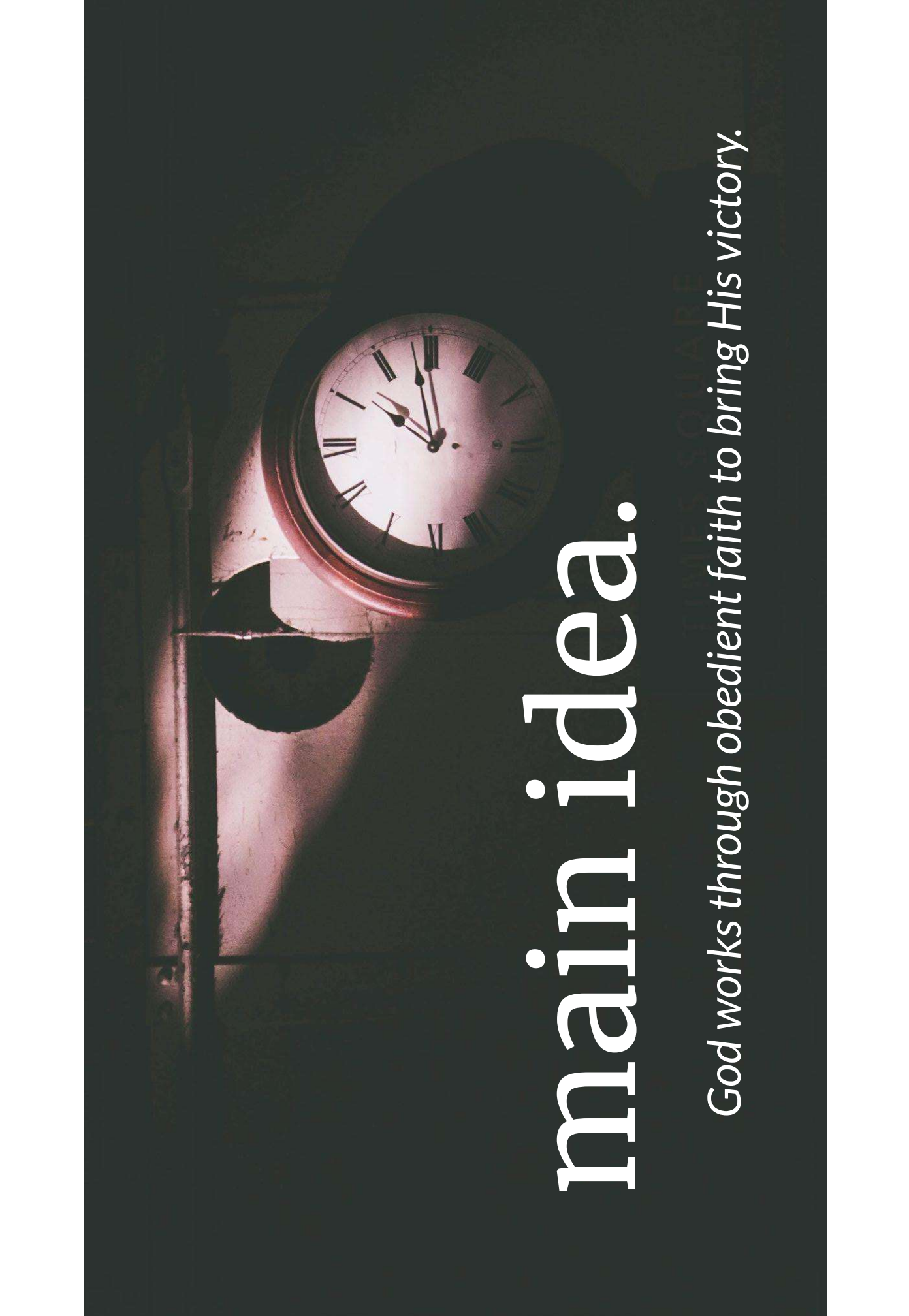
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GLIDE ON

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main idea.

God works through obedient faith to bring His victory.

*Now the angel of the LORD came and sat
under the terebinth at Ophrah, which
belonged to Joash the Abiezrite, while his
son Gideon was beating out wheat in the
winepress to hide it from the Midianites.*

JUDGES 6:11 ESV

*And the angel of the LORD appeared
to him and said to him, "The LORD is
with you, O mighty man of valor."*

JUDGES 6:12 ESV

And Gideon said to him, "Please, sir, if the LORD is with us, why then has all this happened to us? And where are all his wonderful deeds that our fathers recounted to us, saying, 'Did not the LORD bring us up from Egypt?' But now the LORD has forsaken us and given us into the hand of Midian."

JUDGES 6:13 ESV

***And the LORD turned to him and said, "Go
in this might of yours and save Israel from
the hand of Midian; do not I send you?"***

JUDGES 6:14 ESV

***And he said to him, "Please, Lord, how
can I save Israel? Behold, my clan is the
weakest in Manasseh, and I am the
least in my father's house."***

JUDGES 6:15 ESV

*And the LORD said to him, "But I
will be with you, and you shall strike
the Midianites as one man."*

JUDGES 6:16 ESV



1

God works through
weak people.

That night the LORD said to him, "Take your father's bull, and the second bull seven years old, and pull down the altar of Baal that your father has, and cut down the Asherah that is beside it

JUDGES 6:25 ESV

and build an altar to the LORD your God on the top of the stronghold here, with stones laid in due order. Then take the second bull and offer it as a burnt offering with the wood of the Asherah that you shall cut down."

JUDGES 6:26 ESV

So Gideon took ten men of his servants and did as the LORD had told him. But because he was too afraid of his family and the men of the town to do it by day, he did it by night.

JUDGES 6:27 ESV



2

God tries our faith.

The LORD said to Gideon, "The people with you are too many for me to give the Midianites into their hand, lest Israel boast over me, saying, 'My own hand has saved me.'

JUDGES 7:2 ESV

Now therefore proclaim in the ears of the people, saying, 'Whoever is fearful and trembling, let him return home and hurry away from Mount Gilead.'" Then 22,000 of the people returned, and 10,000 remained.

JUDGES 7:3 ESV

And the LORD said to Gideon, "The people are still too many. Take them down to the water, and I will test them for you there, and anyone of whom I say to you, 'This one shall go with you,' shall go with you, and anyone of whom I say to you, 'This one shall not go with you,' shall not go."

JUDGES 7:4 ESV

So he brought the people down to the water. And the LORD said to Gideon, "Every one who laps the water with his tongue, as a dog laps, you shall set by himself. Likewise, every one who kneels down to drink."

JUDGES 7:5 ESV

***And the number of those who lapped,
putting their hands to their mouths,
was 300 men, but all the rest of the
people knelt down to drink water.***

JUDGES 7:6 ESV

And the LORD said to Gideon, "With the 300 men who lapped I will save you and give the Midianites into your hand, and let all the others go every man to his home."

JUDGES 7:7 ESV

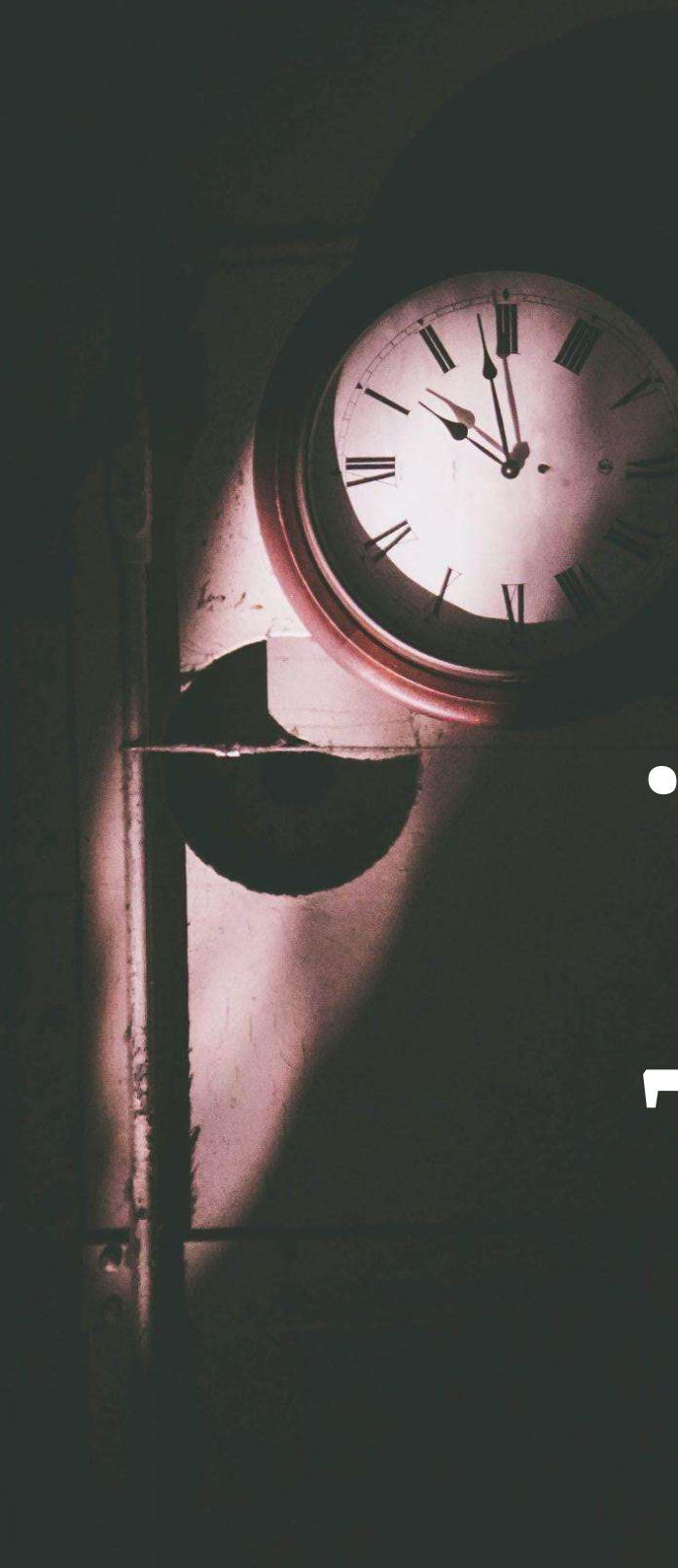


3

God brings the victory.

So Midian was subdued before the people of Israel, and they raised their heads no more. And the land had rest forty years in the days of Gideon.

JUDGES 8:28 ESV



conclusion.

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