



**Week:** Sunday, Sept 16th  
**Text:** Judges 6:1-24

Remind folks in your groups to be inclusive as you meet to give space for everyone to share and contribute to the discussion as we learn to grow together.

### **Checking-in**

- Spend some time checking in with each person as you open up your time together today.

### **Get in the Word**

- Describe a time you went to a restaurant or store and someone exceeded your expectations? Or they came in way short? (Be nice)
- Who in your life would you vote as Mr. or Mrs. Optimistic? Why?
- “In life, you don’t get what you deserve, you get what you expect”  
Let’s read Judges 6:1-24 together.
- How did God’s view of Gideon differ from his own?
- In what ways have you experienced a different view of yourself than that of God?
- How does comparing ourselves to others lower our expectations in life?
- How does belief in Jesus give one hope in the impossible? How does that raise our expectations?
- How can we pray for one another today to raise our own expectations and restore hope in our lives?