

Preaching Elder R. Rubino

Sermon Outline for Sunday, August 22, 2021

Sermon: "Warrior Quality Over Quantity!" What's Wrong With You People? Pt. 20

**I Text:**

Old Covenant: *Judges 7:1-8*

New Covenant: *Luke 14:25-33*

**II Doctrine:**

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**III Comparing Scripture With Scripture:**

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2) I can't imagine Gideon's countenance as he watched his men desert the cause, or be removed by the Lord. Those who were afraid or lacked self control were removed from the battle lines. The first principle of war from a practical standpoint is to have superior numbers for the battle. Throughout history superior numbers of troops win wars. (*Judges 7:4-6; Deuteronomy 20:1-9*)

3) It is almost comical for God to remove most of the manpower from Gideon's army, and replace them with horns and torches! (*Judges 7:7,8*)