

# The Story

A Few Good  
Men... Women

**Sherwood Oaks Christian Church**

**Week of November 23, 2008**

## **Family Activity Ideas**

The following questions can be asked and talked about around the dinner table or in the minivan on the way to "The Teletubbies On Ice."

Grab "The Story" and read chapter 12, or chapter 8 in "The Story for Kids."

## **Read Chapter 12 of "The Story."**

Before the Kingdom was finally started, the people lived in the land, many of them "doing what was right in their own eyes." Sounds kind of like the Old West.

- 1. What would be good things and the bad things about living in a pioneer town in the west long ago?**  
(Consider the joys of a simpler life as well as the difficulties of pioneer life far from the big cities and the comforts of more established civilization. And of course, there are the natives and the guys dressed in black to contend with too.)
- 2. In that crazy kind of time, God used special men and women called "judges" to lead his people. One was named Gideon, and he thought he was too weak and didn't know how to lead the people in a battle. When Gideon followed God's instructions, they won the battle? Why do you think God sometimes uses "weak" people like Gideon?**
- 3. If you ever feel uncertain about what you can do, how could the story of Gideon help YOU?**
- 4. The Israelites during this time kept messing up and sinning over and over and forgetting God's commands. Does this ever happen to you?**
- 5. What are the strongest temptations that you face? How do you fight such temptations?**

You can pray using your own prayer, or saying one like this:

Dear God, Help us to be able to do whatever it is you want me to do. Sometimes it is hard and I need your help. Even when I think I can't I won't be able to do something important, remind me that I can do anything you want me to do.

Amen.