

# What Did You Learn Today?

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# Growing With Jesus

## A Bulletin for Children

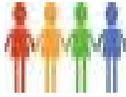
“Let the little children come to me...” Luke 18:16

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### God Chooses An Army

The  (enemies) of the   
(children) of Israel had gathered in a   
(valley) near the  (city) of Jezreel.  
 had chosen Gideon  to be the  
 for the Israelites to deliver them  
from their . So  gathered   
(up) an **ARMY** and started out for the ite  
 (camp).  was probably feeling  
pretty **good** about things. He had lots of  
 (men) to help him  (fight) and

 had promised to  them win.   
had something a little different in mind.  told  
 he had too many  in his .   
knew that Israel would  (think) they defeated  
the  ites on their own without 's  
. So  said to , "Announce to the  
 (people), 'Anyone who's   
(afraid) may go  (home) now'." Amazingly  
**22,000** of the  left! That's a lot of !  
More than half of the whole  went .  
Only **10,000** stayed.  still felt alright. At least  
they had **10,000** , right? Not for long.   
told  he still had too many . When they  
went  (down) to the  (water)  a

drink  told him, "Separate the  that lapp  
the  out of their  (cupped hands) like  
a  from the  that get on their   
(knees) to drink.  did as  said. Only **300**  
 lapped the  from their .  
 told  that HE only wanted the **300**  
 to stay. The rest were to go . This way  
when they won, the  would know that   
was in control with only **300**  left to  the  
.  was going to  (give)  
them the victory just as HE had promised.   
did as  said. He sent away all the other   
to their s and kept those **300** that  had  
chosen. Then  prepared for battle. Judges 7:1-8