

**AFFIRMATION OF GROWTH (15 MINUTES)**

- **Check in:** Let each person share something about themselves and one thing God is teaching them in life.
- **Opening Prayer**

**BIBLE DISCOVERY (35-45 MINUTES)**

- **Watch Video**
- **Big Idea for gGroup:** God does not tolerate sin. If we run to Him seeking forgiveness, then we will see God change our lives.
- **WHAT?**
  - **Read Judges 3:7-11**
    - What was evil in the sight of the Lord?
    - What does it mean they “forgot” God?
    - What did God do about their sin in verse 8?
    - What did the Israelites do in verse 9 before God rose up Othniel to deliver them?
      - **“This is the cycle we see in the book of Judges (sin, oppression, crying out, God’s deliverance through a judge). Keep an eye out for this cycle when we read through Judges this semester.”**
  - **Read Judges 3:12-26**
    - What little details helped Ehud defeat King Eglon and get away?
  - **Read Judges 3: 27-30**
    - Why did Ehud and the Israelites have courage to defeat the 10,000 Moabites?
- **SO WHAT?**
  - How does sin affect our lives?
  - What comes to mind when you hear “the Israelites cried out”?
  - What specifics hinder us from feeling that God can use us?
- **NOW WHAT?**
  - What are ways we forget God today?
  - What are actions we can take to have courage for God like the Israelites did in 3:27-30?
  - Ehud being left handed was used by God to help deliver Israel. What is a specific thing about yourself that you can let God use to serve the church, lead your family or share the Gospel?

**CHALLENGE FOR LIFE (10 MINUTES)**

- **One Challenge:** Has this passage revealed a point of growth or a needed change? Is there something you must do or voice in order to better obey God? Be specific and narrow it down with an “I will” statement
  - I will \_\_\_\_\_
- **Closing Prayer**
  - Pray for each member to be faithful to their challenge in the coming week
  - Pray for the continued growth in what was discussed from the Bible