SERIES: Unfinished
WEEK 2: When You Don't Think You Have What It Takes
TEXT: Judges 6:1–7:22 (ESV)

BIG IDEA: When God calls us, the question isn't whether we have what it takes, but whether He's with us.

1. GOD SEES MORE IN US THAN WE SEE IN OURSELVES

"And the angel of the LORD appeared to him [Gideon] and said to him, 'The LORD is with you, O mighty man of valor.' And Gideon said to him, 'Please, my lord, if the LORD is with us, why then has all this happened to us? And where are all his wonderful deeds that our fathers recounted to us, saying, "Did not the LORD bring us up from Egypt?" But now the LORD has forsaken us and given us into the hand of Midian.' And the LORD turned to him and said, 'Go in this might of yours and save Israel from the hand of Midian; do not I send you?' And he said to him, 'Please, Lord, how can I save Israel? Behold, my clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father's house.' And the LORD said to him, 'But I will be with you, and you shall strike the Midianites as one man.'"
Judges 6:12–16 (ESV)

2. GOD DOESN'T REQUIRE GREAT FAITH TO BEGIN

"And he [Gideon] said to him, 'If now I have found favor in your eyes, then show me a sign that it is you who speak with me.'" **Judges 6:17 (ESV)**

3. GOD'S STRENGTH IS REVEALED THROUGH OUR WEAKNESS

"The LORD said to Gideon, 'The people with you are too many for me to give the Midianites into their hand, lest Israel boast over me, saying, "My own hand has saved me." Now therefore proclaim in the ears of the people, saying, "Whoever is fearful and trembling, let him return home and hurry away from Mount Gilead."' Then 22,000 of the people returned, and 10,000 remained."
Judges 7:2–3 (ESV)

"For God, who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us" **2 Corinthians 4:6–7 (ESV)**