

## SONGS

Whom Shall I Fear – Chris Tomlin  
No One Higher – Seth Condrey  
Majesty of Heaven – Chris Tomlin  
Mighty Warrior – Elevation Worship

## GIVING

**On Sunday:** use wooden boxes at  
back of auditorium

**Online:** [npberean.org/give](http://npberean.org/give)

**Text:** text any amount to 84321

**Mail:** 202 W. 8th St.  
North Platte, NE 69101

## COMING UP

- ♦ **AAA Café – Thu. 1/21, 7-8:30 p.m., The Commons:** Do you ever lack boldness, urgency, love, or knowledge to enter into gospel conversations? If you'd say yes to any of these, please consider joining us! AAA Café is an opportunity for any believer to train our hearts and minds to engage those around us in gospel conversations. It's helpful to have RSVP's (just use your ConnectCard) but not required.
- ♦ **Will you help those who need a Fresh Start in 2021? – Tuesdays 1/26-4/13, 6-8:30 p.m., 252 Room:** Are you interested in helping those who struggle to make ends meet and feel overwhelmed by financial troubles? Find out how you can offer hope to those who are ready for a change. Check out [tinyurl.com/help-FS](http://tinyurl.com/help-FS) for details or call/text 308-530-4556 to find out more!
- ♦ **Join the Safety Team:** Do you have skills and abilities that could help our Safety Team minister to people here at North Platte Berean? As we begin a new year, a newly re-organized Safety Team will be launching, and we are inviting those with training in the areas of medicine, fire & rescue, emergency, and security to join the team. Please email [robynuffman@npberean.org](mailto:robynuffman@npberean.org) to find out more, or write "Safety Team" on your ConnectCard.

# BEREAN CHURCH weekly 1.17.21

## WELCOME!

Here are a few key details to help you make the most of our gathering today. For an even more complete resource, access this bulletin online: [npberean.org/sunday](http://npberean.org/sunday).

We'd love to connect with you and be a spiritual resource for you – please fill out a ConnectCard from the online bulletin (or a paper copy from the seat pocket in front of you).

## NEW HERE?

- ♦ **Sunday large gatherings:** In-person at 8, 9:30, & 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; digital at 9:30 a.m. at [facebook.com/npberean](https://facebook.com/npberean) (replay anytime).
- ♦ **Need a Bible?** Free Bibles at information center in Commons.
- ♦ **Sound levels:** Assisted listening devices and earplugs available at sound booth in back of auditorium.
- ♦ **Office hours:** Mon.-Thu. 9-4 (closed Tue. 1:30-2:30 for staff meeting).
- ♦ **Find out more:** Text npconnect to 97000, visit [npberean.org](http://npberean.org), email [npberean@npberean.org](mailto:npberean@npberean.org), or call 308-532-7448.

## FOR FAMILIES

- ♦ **Mother's Room:** A private room where you can care for your baby and still see and engage the gathering – north of auditorium (follow signs).
- ♦ **Kids Connect (infant-grade 5):** Available during 9:30 and 11 a.m. gatherings. Check-in at 252 area east of Commons or First Look area upstairs from foyer. Kids also welcome in large gatherings. At-home resources: [npberean.org/kids-connect-at-home](http://npberean.org/kids-connect-at-home).
- ♦ **Sola (grades 6-12):** Meet at Garage Café (across Vine St.) – main gatherings Wednesdays 6:30-8:30 p.m.; middle school also meets Sundays at 11 a.m. (no middle school today, Sun. 1/17).

## JUDGES 7 (ESV)

...<sup>2</sup> 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.'<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> And the LORD said to Gideon, "The people are still too many. Take them down to the water, and I will test them for you there, and anyone of whom I say to you, 'This one shall go with you,' shall go with you, and anyone of whom I say to you, 'This one shall not go with you,' shall not go."<sup>5</sup> So he brought the people down to the water. And the LORD said to Gideon, "Every one who laps the water with his tongue, as a dog laps, you shall set by himself. Likewise, every one who kneels down to drink."<sup>6</sup> And the number of those who lapped, putting their hands to their mouths, was 300 men, but all the rest of the people knelt down to drink water.<sup>7</sup> And the LORD said to Gideon, "With the 300 men who lapped I will save you and give the Midianites into your hand, and let all the others go every man to his home."<sup>8</sup> So the people took provisions in their hands, and their trumpets. And he sent all the rest of Israel every man to his tent, but retained the 300 men. And the camp of Midian was below him in the valley. ...

<sup>15</sup> As soon as Gideon heard the telling of the dream and its interpretation, he worshiped. And he returned to the camp of Israel and said, "Arise, for the LORD has given the host of Midian into your hand."<sup>16</sup> And he divided the 300 men into three companies and put trumpets into the hands of all of them and empty jars, with torches inside the jars.<sup>17</sup> And he said to them, "Look at me, and do likewise. When I come to the outskirts of the camp, do as I do."<sup>18</sup> When I blow the trumpet, I and all who are with me, then blow the trumpets also on every side of all the camp and shout, 'For the LORD and for Gideon.'"

<sup>19</sup> So Gideon and the hundred men who were with him came to the outskirts of the camp at the beginning of the middle watch, when they had just set the watch. And they blew the trumpets and smashed the jars that were in their hands.<sup>20</sup> Then the three companies blew the trumpets and broke the jars. They held in their left hands the torches, and in their right hands the trumpets to blow. And they cried out, "A sword for the LORD and for Gideon!"<sup>21</sup> Every man stood in his place around the camp, and all the army ran. They cried out and fled.<sup>22</sup> When they blew the 300 trumpets, the LORD set every man's sword against his comrade and against all the army. And the army fled as far as Beth-shittah toward Zererah, as far as the border of Abel-meholah, by Tabbath. ...

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Sermon text next Sunday: Matthew 6:5-9a

## CAN ONE PERSON MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Seeing Clearly ♦ John Stone ♦ 1.17.21

Don't \_\_\_\_\_

Judg. 7:1-8  
John 6:8-9  
1 Sam. 14:6  
Dan. 4:29-30  
Col. 1:29

God \_\_\_\_\_

Judg. 7:7-22  
Ps. 147:9-10  
Ps. 20:7  
2 Chron. 20:22

He \_\_\_\_\_ with us

Judg. 7:18; 20  
John 17:22-24

### TALK IT OVER

Keep growing in your relationship with Jesus through the Word, prayer, and community!

- ♦ Reach out to a few people you already know – friends, coworkers, etc. – and find a time when you can connect each week. (Note: due to the pandemic, we're recommending groups of 4-7.)
- ♦ Not sure how to start the conversation? Head to [npberean.org/grow](http://npberean.org/grow) for a few simple ideas you can use to get started today!