Preaching Elder R. Rubino Sermon Outline for Sunday, September 19, 2021

Sermon: "Don't Make Stuff Up!" What's Wrong With You People? Pt. 24

I Text:

Old Covenant: *Judges 8:22-28* New Covenant: *Luke 9:28-36*

II Doctrine:

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III Comparing Scripture With Scripture:

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- 3) Doubting Gideon through God's might delivers the children of Israel from their oppressors. God's people enjoy a time of revival and restoration, before their next episode of lawlessness and idolatry. (*Judges 8:28*)