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Unsung: “Remember the Ladies”

September 14 & 15

Speaker: Dr. Mark Batterson

Scripture: Judges 5

Sermon Overview

There is a long line of women in Scripture who overcome the odds, put prejudice in its place, defy cultural conventions, and break through the glass ceiling. In the grand scheme of history, women are the unsung heroes. It’s the risks they take, the sacrifices they make, and sometimes, the rules they break that change the trajectory of history.

Sermon Series Questions

Who is an unsung hero in your life? Share a story of someone that has radically changed your life from behind the scenes.

Sermon Questions

The stories of women are highlighted throughout the Old and New Testaments. Has there been a passage of Scripture featuring a woman that has resonated with you? Which one and why?

Read Judges 5 and reflect upon Deborah’s role in Israel’s history. Spend some time celebrating and thanking God for her, as well as other unsung heroes throughout Scripture. Do the same for unsung heroes in your own life.

When Israel lost the will to fight, Deborah arose. What battle are you currently facing? Remember that the Lord goes before you and is fighting on your behalf.

Pastor Mark outlined three habits of unsung heroes:

1. Live according to your convictions
2. Choose your battles wisely
3. Don’t let what you cannot do keep you from doing what you can

What makes you cry? What makes you pound your fists on the table? Why? In what ways is it aligned with the plans and purposes of God?

"The still, small voice of the Spirit should be the loudest voice in your life." What does it look like to listen to the still, small voice of the Spirit? What noise gets in the way?

"Delayed obedience is disobedience." Read Esther 4:14 and ask God for how he might direct you toward obedience "for such a time as this." What step could you take this week in that direction?

Pray for our church to be a people that "honors unsung heroes, celebrates and elevates women, steps into and stands in the gap, celebrates our differences, and lives according to its biblical convictions."

Practical Application

- Send a handwritten note of appreciation to an unsung hero in your life.
- Encourage a friend, co-worker, family member, or neighbor this week by recognizing something unique about who they are.
- Set aside time this week to listen to the still, small voice of the Spirit.