

Unsung: "Unsung & Un-Named"

October 5 & 6

Speaker: Dr. Dick Foth

Scripture: John 6:1-15, Mark 12:41-44, Hebrews 11:36-38

Series Overview

The story of God is propelled by people whose names we will never know – people leading quiet lives of prayer, obedience, and faithfulness. They are people who believe with deep conviction that history belongs to the intercessors, that change happens on the other side of long obedience in the same direction, and that faithfulness shapes generations.

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 Overview

Bit players- people who played an unsung part in God's redemption story. It only takes one small act to move the Gospel ball down the field. The unsung are often unnamed that play a pivotal role that drastically changes an outcome. This week, we talk about those unsung and unnamed heroes within Scripture through the life of a little boy (John 6:1-15) and a widowed woman (Mark 12:41-44).

Sermon Questions

In the passage in John 6, we see God make something more (feeding five thousand) out of something given (5 loaves and 2 fish). Was there a moment in your life where God used something you offered and created something more from it? What was the circumstance? How has that impacted how you see God?

This week, Dr. Foth shared a conversation that shifted his perspective of identity. What was a moment you had where someone came in and spoke something that changed your perspective of identity?

In the second passage in Mark 12, a widowed woman comes to the offering and gives two small coins. The woman could have given one coin instead of two, but she didn't. She gave everything including her whole self as an offering. What does this type of offering look like in your life? What can we learn from her?

The widowed woman put herself in a place where she was totally dependent on God. What area(s) of your life are you depending on something or someone other than God? How might you shift to a place of total dependence on God in that area?

God can use us in one of his teaching moments for others, to be an unwitting part of his redemptive plans. How can you make yourself available, open, and aware to this?

Practical Application

Think of a difficult situation, problem, or circumstance you are going through this
week. Pray and ask God what he may be teaching you through it.
Spend some time rereading the two passages from John 6 and Mark 12.
Compare and contrast the parts of the stories that are the same and different.
Lean into areas of your life where you are or could be faithfully serving without
expecting a title or something in return.