



Sermon Notes

Season of Healing
October 29, 2023

God wants to invade our ordinary with His extraordinary!

Extraordinary: *Very unusual or remarkable. Unusually great.*

Psalm 139:13-16 New Living Translation (NLT)

¹³ *You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother's womb.*

¹⁴ *Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it.*

¹⁵ *You watched me as I was being formed in utter seclusion, as I was woven together in the dark of the womb.*

¹⁶ *You saw me before I was born.*

Every day of my life was recorded in your book.

Every moment was laid out

before a single day had passed.

In the original Hebrew text, the word '*fearfully*' means: *with great reverence and heart-felt interest and respect.*

The word '*wonderfully*' means: *unique, set apart, uniquely marvelous.*

God is calling us out of our ordinary into His extraordinary.

"Everything you want is on the other side of fear."

Jack Canfield

"The wise man in the storm prays to God. Not for safety from danger, but for deliverance from fear."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

We are limited by our fear.

1 Corinthians 2:9

⁹ *However, as it is written:*

"What no eye has seen,

what no ear has heard,

and what no human mind has conceived"—

the things God has prepared for those who love him—



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We can't be driven by hope and fear at the same time.

2 Corinthians 3:17

¹⁷ ...where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

Acts 4:8-14

⁸ Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: "Rulers and elders of the people! ⁹ If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a man who was lame and are being asked how he was healed, ¹⁰ then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. ¹¹ Jesus is

*"the stone you builders rejected,
which has become the cornerstone.'*

¹² Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

¹³ When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus. ¹⁴ But since they could see the man who had been healed standing there with them, there was nothing they could say.

Acts 4:3-4

³ They seized Peter and John and, because it was evening, they put them in jail until the next day. ⁴ But many who heard the message believed; so the number of men who believed grew to about five thousand.

What could God do with your ordinary?

Acts 4:19-22

¹⁹ But Peter and John replied, "Which is right in God's eyes: to listen to you, or to him? You be the judges! ²⁰ As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard."

²¹ After further threats they let them go. They could not decide how to punish them, because all the people were praising God for what had happened. ²² For the man who was miraculously healed was over forty years old.

Acts 4:29-30

²⁹ Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness. ³⁰ Stretch out your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus."



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In the face of opposition and fear, the church prayed for boldness!

Nothing is over until God says it over!

Boldness: Asking God with confidence, and then walking in the power of the Holy Spirit.

God-confidence carries power!

1 Corinthians 4:20

²⁰ For the kingdom of God is not a matter of talk but of power.

Faith is a confident trust in God's power.

Fear causes us to focus on what we can see, feel, and control.

Faith is more than a feeling - it is a cognizant decision to trust God!

2 Corinthians 5:7

⁷ For we live by faith, not by sight.

Faith lays the groundwork for miracles!

Hebrews 11:1

*¹ Now faith is **confidence** in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.*

Fear and faith both require us to place our confidence in something.

Lord, help me to see with eyes of faith. Help me to see You, and You only. Give me God-confidence today.

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