WEEK 1

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU’RE EXPECTING
VIEWER GUIDE

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS OF THE MIDIANITES:

You know you are dealing with the Midianites when the trouble is coming from the most ___unexpected___ place.

You know you are dealing with the Midianites because just when you get your ___head___ above ___water____, that problem _____resurfaces_____ again.

WHAT SHOULD YOU EXPECT WHEN YOU’RE EXPECTING?

1. The crisis is not _____powerful________ enough to place you out of the ___reach______ of God.
   Isaiah 59:1

2. The crisis does ____position_____ you for your ____calling______.
   Judges 6:12-13

   God is more interested in changing your ___heart____ than He is your ____circumstances____.
   Luke 19:17

   Hebrews 11:32-34

   Judges 6:12

   No matter how you feel, what the ______Scripture_______ says about you is ___true____.
   1 Peter 2:9

3. Your crisis does not ____dictate_____ your ____capability____.
   Judges 6:11-12, 14

   The angel of the LORD ____came____ (v. 11), ____appeared____ (v. 12), ____looked____ (v. 14).

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WEEK 2

Come Together
If You Remain Silent
Our protagonist made three shifts that moved her from self-preservation to brave determination.

1. Esther had a _choice____.

“She [Esther] had to _overcome_ _herself_ in order to do what God had created her and positioned her to do.”

2. Esther _faced_ _the_ _fear_.

Consider general fears, then our context’s specific fear:

- Facing any _fear___

And if __________________________, then ____________.

[your answers here]
Scenario #5*
It’s tough being a woman in the tight fist of fear.

• Facing fear of death

Hebrews 2:14-15 from The Message: “By embracing death, taking it into himself, he destroyed the Devil’s hold on death and freed all who cower through life, scared to death of death.”

“Living perpetually in the shadow of immanent catastrophe, the Jew was threatened not only physically but psychologically. Walking in the shadow of death was as perilous as dying.”

3. Esther took the courage she was offered.

*Scenarios 1-4 can be found in the Esther: It’s Tough Being a Woman Bible study.
Loved Again

WEEK
4
WHEN YOU AIN’T GOT YADA, YOU AIN’T GOT NADA

When we wander from God, usually our problem is a lack of ___knowledge_____.

When we see the word *know* in the Book of Hosea, it is usually the Hebrew word *yada* which means “an ___intimate__ knowing.”

When we stray from God, we stray from our sense of self because we don’t yada our ___source____ of self.

Sarah did not ___value____ herself because she did not yada God.

Naomi’s grandson, Obed, grew up to become the father of Jesse and Jesse the father of ___David____. And Jesus Christ came from the ___lineage_____ of David.

In the Book of Hosea, “knowledge of God” is *daath Elohim* in Hebrew and shows an empathetic ___connection____ to God.

Revelation 2:5 gives us the following steps to yada:

1. Consider from where you have ___fallen____.

2. ___Repent___.

3. Do the things you did at ___first____.

God doesn’t want us to sacrifice ___relationship____ with Him for activity for Him.
God’s Definitive Declaration of Affection

WEEK 5
OUTLINE

SCENE 1 assertion (from God): Malachi 1:2a
SCENE 2 questioning (from Israel): Malachi 1:2b
SCENE 3 response (from God): Malachi 1:2c-3
SCENE 4 implication (to Israel): Malachi 1:4-5