Heroes of the Old Testament

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WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU’RE EXPECTING

WEEK 1
DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS OF THE MIDIANITES:

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

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

WHAT SHOULD YOU EXPECT WHEN YOU’RE EXPECTING?

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

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

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

   Hebrews 11:32-34

   Judges 6:12

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

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

   The angel of the LORD _______________ (v. 11), _______________ (v. 12), _______________ (v. 14).

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WEEK 2

Come Together
WEEK 3

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

1. Esther had a __________.

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

2. Esther ____________ _______ ________.

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

- Facing any __________

And if _________________________________, then ____________.

[your answers here]
Scenario #5*

It’s tough being a woman in the ________ ______ ___ ________.

• Facing fear of _________

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 ________ through life, ________ ___ ________ ___ ________.”

“Living perpetually in the shadow of immanent catastrophe, the Jew was threatened not only physically but psychologically. Walking in the _____________ _________ _________ was as ________________ as _________.”

3. Esther ________ ______ _______________ she was offered.

*Scenarios 1-4 can be found in the Esther: It’s Tough Being a Woman Bible study.
Loved Again
WHEN YOU AIN’T GOT YADA, YOU AIN’T GOT NADA

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

1. Consider from where you have _________________.
2. _________________.
3. Do the things you did at _________________.

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