

Unshakable Women's Bible Study

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July/August Topic: Rooted, Resilient, and Victorious

Psalm 92:12–15 (NLT)

“But the godly will flourish like palm trees
and grow strong like the cedars of Lebanon.
For they are transplanted to the Lord’s own house.
They flourish in the courts of our God.
Even in old age they will still produce fruit;
they will remain vital and green.
They will declare, ‘The Lord is just!
He is my rock!
There is no evil in him!’”

Main Truth:

You are a born-again believer filled with the Spirit of God. You serve a supernatural God, and He has equipped you to fulfill a supernatural assignment.

That does not mean you become strange or careless. It means you expect God’s Word and Spirit to operate beyond the limitations of natural human ability. You are positive (rooted) in His Word, you are sure about your victory (victorious), and you stay in the fight (resilient).

Part 2: (3 Keys)

Declare I am Rooted, Established, and Unshaken

Reminder: Flourishing Is Your Identity

To Flourish:

to grow luxuriantly: Thrive
to achieve success: Prosper
to be in a state of activity or production
to reach a height of development or influence

The Bible does not say the righteous *might flourish* if everything goes perfectly.

“The godly *will flourish* like palm trees.” (Vs 12)

Flourishing is not the absence of storms. Flourishing means the storm does not have the authority to determine what you become. Who created you? Who is the author of your life?

Hebrews 12:2 (ESV)— looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

The palm does not flourish merely because it is a palm. It flourishes because it has been planted where its roots can become established. Palm Trees can't be planted just anywhere. They require specific climate conditions. (Read Jeremiah 17:5-8, Isaiah 25:4, Isaiah 49:10)

Key 1: Faith Makes You Stand Out

Numbers 13:1-3 (NLT) — The Lord now said to Moses, “Send out men to explore the land of Canaan, the land I am giving to the Israelites. Send one leader from each of the twelve ancestral tribes.” So Moses did as the Lord commanded him. He sent out twelve men, all tribal leaders of Israel, from their camp in the wilderness of Paran.

Moses sent twelve men to inspect the Promised Land.

All twelve men saw:

- The same land.
- The same fruit.
- The same fortified cities.
- The same giants.
- The same challenges.
- The same evidence of God's promise.

BUT they did not all return with the same report. Saw the same, spoken differently. You can see the same thing happen in the natural as someone else standing next to you. But responses can be different.

Ten returned controlled by fear. Joshua and Caleb returned filled with faith.

Numbers 13:30 (AMP)—“Then Caleb quieted the people before Moses, and said, ‘Let us go up at once and take possession of it; for we will certainly conquer it.’”

Caleb did not deny what he saw. He simply refused to allow what he saw to become greater than what God had said. That is the difference between natural sight and spiritual sight.

Natural sight can say:

There are giants

Spiritual sight says:

God has given us the land

Natural sight says:

The walls are too high

Spiritual sight says:

No wall can stop the promise of God

Natural sight says:

We are not strong enough

Spiritual sight says:

Our strength comes from the Lord

Fear makes you forget! Faith remembers!

What did fear cause the ten spies to forget?

- God had delivered them from Egypt.
- God had divided the Red Sea.
- God had destroyed Pharaoh's army.
- God had provided food in the wilderness.
- God had led them with his presence. (cloud by day and pillar of fire by night)
- God had already promised them the land.

Fear will cause you to forget every past victory and focus only on the present obstacle.

What does faith make you remember?

Faith remembers what God has done.

Faith remembers what God has said.

Faith remembers who God is.

Faith remembers that God has never lost a battle.

Why does faith remember? Because it's access to all that God has for us. There's a supernatural connection to Heaven when it comes by faith. It is heaven's currency.

Numbers 14:24 (AMP)— “But My servant Caleb, because he has a different spirit and has followed Me fully, I will bring into the land into which he entered, and his descendants shall take possession of it.”

A Christian should stick out. Caleb was not the norm. He had a different spirit. Spiritual eyesight is a game changer.

“There are rare Christians whose very presence incites others to be better Christians. I want to be that rare Christian” - A.W. Tozer

1. The crowd saw defeat.

Caleb saw possession.

2. The crowd saw themselves as grasshoppers.

Caleb saw himself as someone backed by God.

3. The crowd magnified the giants.

Caleb magnified the promise.

Fear Makes You Forgettable; Faith Makes You Famous

The ten spies are mostly remembered as a fearful group. Joshua and Caleb are remembered by name because they stood in faith. In fact, look what happens to the ten fearful spies.

Numbers 14:36-38 (NLT) The ten men Moses had sent to explore the land—the ones who incited rebellion against the Lord with their bad report— were struck dead with a plague

before the Lord. Of the twelve who had explored the land, only Joshua and Caleb remained alive.

Faith will cause you to stand out when everyone else is bowing to fear. Three Hebrew children. Names known.

Faith does not ask, “What is everyone else saying?” Faith asks, “What has God said?”

Faith does not follow the majority when the majority contradicts the Word of God

Key 2: Your Victory Is Sure

The Bible doesn’t just mention the Godly flourishing like palm trees, but also in the Bible you see palm branches as symbols of triumph, celebration, honor, and victory.

We celebrate Palm Sunday when Jesus entered Jerusalem; the people welcomed Him with palm branches.

John 12:12–13 (AMP)—“They took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, and as they went they kept shouting, ‘Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.’”

They did not meet Jesus with branches that represented defeat. They met him with a visible symbol of honor, victory, and praise. They laid palm branches before Him because He was being received as King.

What did the palm branch declare?

The King has come.

Victory has arrived.

Deliverance is near.

The One who saves is here.

Every time you look at the palm tree, you can remember that you serve a victorious King. Jesus did not come merely to make you feel better about bondage. He came to deliver you from it. He did not come merely to comfort people under the works of darkness. He came to destroy the works of the devil!

1 John 3:8 (AMP)—“The Son of God appeared for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil.”

Jesus came to undo, dissolve, and annihilate what the enemy has done. So, as the Body of Christ, you do not partner with the works Jesus came to destroy.

You do not make peace with:

- Fear.
- Sin.
- Bondage.
- Oppression.

- Confusion.
- Division.
- Sickness.
- Shame.
- Condemnation.
- Destruction.

We stand in the authority of Jesus and enforce His victory through faith, prayer, obedience, and the Word of God. We are not the Savior. Jesus is. BUT we are His representatives on the earth. So we act, look, and produce manifestations of it.

Hebrews 13:8 (AMP)—“Jesus Christ is eternally changeless, always the same yesterday and today and forever.”

We are not looking to ourselves as the source of power. We are looking to the One who lives in us.

Palm branches also appear in the picture of final victory.

Revelation 7:9 (AMP)—John saw a great multitude standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands.

The palm branches show us that victory belongs to the redeemed. The final picture of the believer is not defeat.

It is not destruction.

It is not abandonment.

It is not the enemy winning.

It is a redeemed people standing before the Lamb in victory!

The palm branch reminds you that your story ends in victory. You may be in a battle, but you are not fighting for victory as though Jesus has not yet won.

You are fighting from the victory Christ has already secured. Position matters!

Key 3: Victory is Sure Through Dominion, BUT You Must Be Prepared To Fight Again

Victory does not mean that there will never be another battle.

David defeated a lion.

Then he defeated a bear.

Then he defeated Goliath.

Then he faced additional battles.

One victory does not mean you will never need faith again. One breakthrough does not mean you will never need to pray again. One answered prayer does not mean you can remove your armor.

You must be prepared to stay in the fight again.

David became angry when Goliath defied the armies of the living God.

1 Samuel 17:26 (AMP)—“For who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he has dared to defy the armies of the living God?”

David did not see Goliath merely as a massive tall man. David saw a man daring to challenge the covenant people of God. Once again, how you “see” your opposition matters. How you “hear” matters. Goliath was speaking against Israel, but David understood that the insult was ultimately against God.

What is speaking against your faith? Is the sound of opposition/ the battle larger than your sound of faith?

David had covenant confidence.

Get that in your spirit man — **YOU MUST HAVE COVENANT CONFIDENCE.**

What did he know:

- Who God was.
- Who he belonged to.
- What God had already done.
- What authority the covenant gave him.

David’s response was like that of a mother who hears someone speaking against her children. Something rises up on the inside of her. David had holy indignation. He refused to sit quietly while the enemy mocked his God.

There should be moments when faith rises in you and says:

“THAT IS ENOUGH!!”

Enough fear.

Enough torment.

Enough confusion.

Enough compromise.

Enough division.

Enough pain.

Enough hurt.

Enough of allowing the enemy to speak louder than God’s Word.

Dominion is not passivity. Walking in God-given authority does not mean sitting back and doing nothing.

Dominion requires you to take YOUR spiritual position, YOU resist the enemy, YOU obey God, YOU speak His Word, YOU pray, and YOU act in faith.

Passivity’s voice: “Whatever happens, happens. There’s nothing I can do.”

Dominion's voice: "I cannot control everything, but I will use the authority, wisdom, and spiritual weapons God has given me."

For example, David did not just believe that God was greater than Goliath—he stepped onto the battlefield. The Israelites had a promise from God, but they still had to possess the Promised Land. Faith is an action.

Ephesians 6 tells us to put on the armor of God because believers are expected to stand against the enemy. (We'll go deeper on the armor in August in Part 3)

Dominion **does not** mean controlling other people or forcing outcomes. Although how nice would that be? :) It means refusing to let fear, temptation, lies, and spiritual opposition control you.

James 4:7 (AMP)—“Submit to [the authority of] God. Resist the devil [stand firm against him] and he will flee from you.”

LOOK! It says that we must both **submit** and **resist**. Submission to God is active, and resisting the devil is active. You do not have authority to control people's wills, but we do have authority to stand against the devil.

We have authority over:

- Fear.
- Temptation.
- The lies of the enemy.
- Destructive thought patterns.
- Spiritual opposition.
- Everything Jesus has defeated.

We do not have authority to control people's wills, but we do have authority to stand against the devil.

First, submit to God.

Then, resist the devil.

Authority operates through surrender.

We cannot live in rebellion to God and expect to walk effectively in spiritual authority. Do not remain passive where Jesus has called you to stand.

Grab your Unshakable Journal // Discussion Questions:

1. Faith Makes You Stand Out

1. Have you ever allowed the opinion of the majority to influence your faith?
2. What current obstacle are you tempted to magnify above God's promise?
3. How can you acknowledge a difficult reality without agreeing with fear?
4. What would a faith-filled report sound like concerning your present situation?
5. In what area is God asking you to stand out rather than blend in?

2. Your Victory Is Sure

1. Is there an area where you have started accepting as normal something Jesus came to defeat?
2. How can praise strengthen you while we are still waiting for the victory to become visible?
3. What past victory reminds you that God is faithful?
4. How does the picture of palm branches in Revelation encourage you concerning the end of your story?

3. Dominion Is Not Passivity

1. What spiritual weapon do you need to use more consistently?
2. What is one practical step of obedience you can take this week?
3. Is there something you have tolerated that God is calling you to confront through prayer, truth, or action?
4. How can you exercise dominion while still resting in Jesus rather than striving in your own strength?

The fearful report I need to stop repeating is _____.

The victory I am choosing to praise Jesus for is _____.

The active step of faith I will take this week is _____.

Weekly Declarations:

I am not the norm.

I am a woman of faith, and I carry a different spirit.

I refuse to magnify the obstacle above the promise of God.

I believe the report of the Lord.

Jesus is victorious, and His victory belongs to me.

I will not accept defeat, fear, or bondage as my final outcome.

I submit myself to God, resist the devil, and stand firm in faith.

I will not remain passive where God has called me to pray, speak, obey, and act.

I am bold, equipped, and strong in the Lord.

My faith makes me stand out.

My victory is sure.

My authority will be exercised.

I am built to flourish.

****See you August 11th @ 6:30 pm ET**

Part 3— Rooted, Resilient, and Victorious: You Are Equipped For Supernatural Living