Series: Courageous Living

Title: We Can Live Courageously for God

<u>**Text:**</u> (Col 1:16-24)

What does Courageous Living mean to you?

God uses Ordinary People: (1 Cor 1:26-29)
God uses Busy People: Moses & Elisha:

God uses Imperfect People:

Mary Magdalene: Luke 8:2

Rahab the Who? He 11:31 She was a Harlot!

<u>Peter</u>: Cursed & denied Christ. <u>Moses & David</u>: Murdered people

What Made these people Live Courageous Lives?

I. **Knowledge of God:** (Phil 3:10)

God Created All Things: (Col 1:16; Jn 1:3)(Eph 1:5,9-12)

God Owns All Things:

Creation - (Ps 24:1; 50:10; Hag 2:8)

God bought us - (1 Cor 6:19-20; Titus 2:14)

II. Faith in God: Heb 11:1-3,6 **God Can:** 2 Chron 20:6-10

God Will: 2 Chron 20:14-15

God Wants To: Through Me! Eph 6:10

III. God was 1st in their lives: (Matt 6:33) Seek ye 1st the ...

God deserves PRE-Eminence: (Col 1:18-19)

1st Place (Isa 6:1-3)

Isaiah:(Isaiah 6:5) Woe is Me!

Peter: (Luke 5:8)

(Col 1:16-17) *Consist*

(Heb 1:3)

(Acts 17:28) Kept Functioning

He Knows, Understands, & CAN fix your problems:

(Heb 4:15)

Col 1:18 Relax! He is in charge! He is Sovereign!

Pre-Eminent! High, Lofty, Exalted Rank! (Jn 5:23)

We are to walk Worthy! (Col 1:10) (Col 3:23-24)(1 Cor 10:31)(Matt 5:16)

It's not about Us, It's all about Him!

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f. The Gave God the place of PRE-EMINENCE

g. Motivated by a Cause that was right: 1 Sam 17:26, 29

h. They were Fearless b/c they were Dead to Self:

(Job 13:15) "Not My Call"

(Job 19:25-27) "Nothing to Lose, Everything to Gain!"

Follow Through: (Rev 2:10, 2 Tim 4:6-8)

We are commanded to bring Him Glory. (1 Cor 10:31)

He Made us for Himself! (Col 1:16)

He Redeemed us for Himself! (Col 1:20-22)

He Wants us for Himself! (Rom 11:36)