

## JOURNEY TEACHING SERIES

*“My message and My preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with demonstration of the Spirit’s power, so that your faith might not rest on men’s wisdom, but on God’s power.”*

1 Corinthians 2:4-5

### BASIC

JANUARY 12 - MARCH 2

The bible is filled with ordinary people that God used to do extraordinary things for Him. Regular, every-day people – many of them teens! – who were forever changed by living boldly for God. And the best news? God still uses basic people to change the world.

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**Date:** Tuesday & Wednesday, January 12 & 13, 2021

**Message:** Shadrach, Meshach, & Abednego (+ Worship)

**Teacher:** Brianne Farrell

Picture this: An entire nation, conquered and taken away into captivity by a vicious dictator. Families separated. Parents murdered and children forced into slavery. And in the midst of all that, three ordinary, young men were faced with a death sentence – unless they bowed down and worshiped an earthly king. And even though these were just three basic guys, they knew they worshiped the God Who was anything but ordinary.

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**Date:** Tuesday & Wednesday, January 19 & 20, 2021

**Message:** Daniel

**Teacher:** Michael Farrell

A young man, captive in a foreign nation, specifically chosen to undergo extensive training to be qualified to serve the king in his palace. Daniel found himself in an esteemed position – but was still basically a glorified slave. Then his guard ordered him to disobey God. And Daniel had to make a choice between ordinary and extraordinary.

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**Date:** Tuesday & Wednesday, January 26 & 27, 2021

**Message:** Ruth

**Teacher:** Maura Ringley

Centuries before Jesus was born, a poor, ordinary foreigner was traveling through Israel. She and her mother-in-law were picking up scraps of the harvest off of the ground just to keep from starving. Nothing about Ruth was extraordinary – except for the way she lived in obedience to God. And because of that, God used her to bless all creation.

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**Date:** Tuesday & Wednesday, February 2 & 3, 2021

**Message:** David (+ Worship)

**Teacher:** Nathan LaBorie

David. An ordinary shepherd. Yet, by the power of God he would go on to defeat a giant, rule a nation, and compose a songbook that people still read today. Even so, just like each one of us, David was not without his faults, shortcomings, and failures. Despite all that, God still had a big purpose for David.

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**Date:** Tuesday & Wednesday, February 9 & 10, 2021

**Message:** DODGEBALL JOURNEY

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**Date:** Tuesday & Wednesday, February 16 & 17, 2021

**Message:** Esther

**Teacher:** Brianne Farrell

Imagine this – you’re a 14-year-old daughter of a slave. And you uncover a genocidal plot to kill you, your whole family, and wipe out your entire nation. Well, that’s exactly the position in which young Esther found herself. But Ester was not alone. And not only was God with her, but He had uniquely positioned and equipped her for such a time as this.

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**Date:** Tuesday & Wednesday, February 23 & 24, 2021

**Message:** **NO JOURNEY (Congregational Meeting)**

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**Date:** Tuesday & Wednesday, March 2 & 3, 2021

**Message:** Isaac

**Teacher:** Nathan LaBorie

Abraham, an ordinary guy, had been promised by God to be the father of a nation. Yet Abraham had only one son, another ordinary guy named Isaac. And then one day, God asked for Isaac back. It’s the story of two ordinary people with extraordinary faith in an extraordinary God.

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**Date:** Tuesday & Wednesday, March 9 & 10, 2021

**Message:** **NO JOURNEY (Post-HS Camping Trip Break)**

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**Date:** Tuesday & Wednesday, March 16 & 17, 2021

**Message:** Joseph

**Teacher:** Maura Ringley

The story of Joseph and his brothers has it all: family drama, pride, envy, betrayal, and revenge. Powerful emotions for sure – and undoubtedly emotions that each one of us has encountered too. Yet through it all, Joseph never lost his hope in God and God never turned His back on Joseph. But in the end, what takes Joseph from basic to amazing is the forgiveness that came out of it all.

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**Date:** Tuesday & Wednesday, March 23 & 23, 2021

**Message:** **NO JOURNEY (Post-MS Camping Trip Break)**