The Extra-ordinary ordinary

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John 3:30 He must increase, but I must decrease.



God wants ordinary people to experience the Extraordinary – <u>Him</u>. God can take our ordinary life – with its weaknesses, imperfections, mistakes – and transform it into something extraordinary. Indeed, with God, our lives will never be the same.



- Plan
- Preparation
- Purpose
- Prize



Luke 1:62-64 62 So they made signs to his father—what he would have him called.



Luke 1:62-64 63 And he asked for a writing tablet, and wrote, saying, "His name is John." So they all marveled. 64 Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, praising God.



Luke 1:76-79

76 "And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Highest; For you will go before the face of the Lord to prepare His ways, 77 To give knowledge of salvation to His people By the remission of their sins,



Luke 1:76-79

78 Through the tender mercy of our God, With which the Dayspring from on high has visited us;79 To give light to those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, To guide our feet into the way of peace."



Psalm 139:13-16

13 For You formed my inward parts; You [a]covered me in my mother's womb.14 I will praise You, for [b]I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.



Psalm 139:13-16 15 My [c]frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.16 Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book, they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When yet there were none of them.



Luke 1:80 80 So the child grew and became strong in spirit and was in the deserts till the day of his manifestation to Israel.



Luke 11:1

11 Now it came to pass, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, that one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples."



John 1:19-21 19 Now this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" 20 He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ."



John 1:19-21 21 And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not. "Are you the Prophet?" And he answered, "No."



John 1:25-27

25 And they asked him, saying, "Why then do you baptize if you are not the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?" 26 John answered them, saying, "I baptize with water, but there stands One among you whom you do not know.



John 1:25-27 27 It is He who, coming after me, [a]is preferred before me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to lose."



John 3:26-30

26 And they came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, He who was with you beyond the Jordan, to whom you have testified behold, He is baptizing, and all are coming to Him!"



John 3:26-30

27 John answered and said, "A man can receive nothing unless it has been given to him from heaven. 28 You yourselves bear me witness, that I said, 'I am not the Christ,' but, 'I have been sent before Him.'



John 3:26-30 29 He who has the bride is the bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly

the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom's voice. Therefore, this joy of mine is fulfilled. 30 He must increase, but I must decrease.



- Fervent prayer life
- No pretenses
- Deep , authentic humility
- Security, no envy/jealousy
- Acknowledges everything is from God
- Does all for the glory of Jesus



Matthew 3:13-17

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. 14 And John tried to prevent Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by You, and are You coming to me?" 15 But Jesus answered and said to him, "Permit it to be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed Him.



Matthew 3:13-17

16 When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and [a]He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. 17 And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."



John 1:29-31

29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! 30 This is He of whom I said, 'After me comes a Man who [a]is preferred before me, for He was before me.' 31 I did not know Him; but that He should be revealed to Israel, therefore I came baptizing with water."



Luke 7:19-23

19 And John, calling two of his disciples to him, sent them to [a]Jesus, saying, "Are You the Coming One, or [b]do we look for another?" 20 When the men had come to Him, they said, "John the Baptist has sent us to You, saying, 'Are You the Coming One, or do we look for another?' " 21 And that very hour He cured many of [c]infirmities, afflictions, and evil spirits; and to many blind He gave sight.



Luke 7:19-23

22 Jesus answered and said to them, "Go and tell John the things you have seen and heard: that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor have the gospel preached to them. 23 And blessed is he who is not [d]offended because of Me."



Luke 7:24

24 When the messengers of John had departed, He began to speak to the multitudes concerning John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind?



Luke 7:28

28 For I say to you, among those born of women there is [a]not a greater prophet than John the Baptist; but he who is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he."





'I...miss...him!"



"SOMEDAY YOU WILL READ OR HEAR THAT BILLY GRAHAM IS DEAD. DON'T YOU BELIEVE A WORD OF IT. I SHALL BE MORE ALIVE THAN I AM NOW. I WILL JUST HAVE CHANGED MY ADDRESS. I WILL HAVE GONE INTO THE PRESENCE OF GOD."

Billy Graham



- Plan Trust in Gods amazing plan for your life
- Preparation Let brokenness build Christ-likeness in you
- Purpose Live your life to point people to Jesus
- Prize Jesus himself is our greatest reward



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