



#2 The Ripple Effect

These are the names of David's mighty warriors: Josheb-Bashebeth, a Tahkemonite, was chief of the Three; he raised his spear against eight hundred men, whom he killed in one encounter.

2 Samuel 23:8

Big Thought:

- Impossible Odds Set The Stage For God's Greatest **MIRACLES**

"Most Of Us Tend To Avoid Situations Where The Odds Are Against Us - But When We Do, We Rob God Of The Opportunity To Do Something Supernatural In Our Lives."

~Mark Batterson~

"One Encounter"

- God Is Ordering Your **FOOTSTEPS**

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10

"As Christians We Do Not Believe In Circumstantial Coincidence, We Believe In God's Providence."

~Mark Batterson~

Faith Defined:

- Faith Is Taking The **FIRST** Step So That God Can Reveal The Second Step.

The Ripple Effect:

- You Are Far More **INFLUENCIAL** Than You Can Imagine.

"So is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it." Isaiah 55:11

WHAT ARE YOU DOING TODAY THAT WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE 100 YEARS FROM NOW?

- If You Want God To Do Something **NEW**, You Can't Keep Doing The Same Old Thing.

"Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is." Eph 5:15-17

"We Faithfully Do The Little Things As If They Are Huge Things So That God Can Do Huge Things Like They Are Little Things".

~Mark Batterson~

- You Can Not Control The **OUTCOME** Of Anything But You Can Control Your Input.

"Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do amazing things among you." Joshua 3:5

"Your Dream Not Only Predates You It Also Postdates You."

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LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

At Waipuna Chapel we believe that circles are as important as rows, join a life group today and join the discussion. Contact pastor Joshua@waipunachapel.com to get connected

- What encounter have you had that changed the entire trajectory of your life from that moment forward?
- What thoughts are still resonating with you from the sermon?
- What was most encouraging or challenging about this weekend's message?
- In what ways did 2 Samuel 23:8 speak to you about the raising of the spear?
- It is important to accept when the odds are against us and to not avoid those situations because it is in those moments God reveals both his glory and his power! What odds do you feel are stacked up against you today? How are you expectantly believing God to move through in a mighty way?
- *"Faith is taking the first step before God reveals the second step."* Why do you think it's harder to take the first step of faith before the second step is revealed?
- When have you experienced a ripple effect of some else's decisions or actions?
- How have you experienced the ripple effect of someone else's prayers? What prayer can you be praying to set off a ripple effect in others' lives?
- What are you doing today that will make a difference 100 years from now?
- What opportunities are you not taking where you need to step out in faith? What decisions do you need to make by stepping out in faith?

Challenge:

This week we talked about how most things in this life are dreams within a dream. Everything has ripple effects and our actions continue to influence other lives. Who has been a part of your life that has impacted you in order to influence others? This week, as a challenge, make a list of these people and recognize them. Take time to call them, write a letter, or send them a text letting them know what they did to make an impact in your life.

Pray through the Chase the Lion Manifesto. Focus on and memorize one or two lines from it.

Spend some time this week journaling what decisions you need to make or opportunities you need to take in order to be obedient through faith. Then take the next right step and act on it.

Source:

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