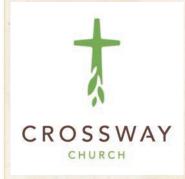
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The Power of a Women's Voice

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Theme: Recognize the power of a woman's voice and use it to magnify Jesus.

Introduction: We have all experienced the power of a woman's voice in our lives, whether for good or for ill. When that woman fears and loves the Lord, her voice can be a force for profound good in the lives of those she loves and addresses. But if she does not love and fear the Lord, her voice can be very destructive. Women are very influential in God's world, and how they use their voices matters.

We can consider the power of a woman's voice in 2 respects:

1.The power of her voice

Sadly, Scripture is filled with many examples of ungodly women using their voices for evil. The first and foremost is Eve—she influenced Adam to rebel against God. Sarai also used her voice for evil, calling Abram to seek to accomplish God's plan on his own by marrying Hagar. She did not encourage him to faith.

Yet Sarai was right when she spoke to the need to remove Ishmael so that Isaac could be established as the child of promise. When Sarai spoke in defense of God's revealed plan, the Lord stood behind her words.

2. Gaining a vision for her voice

Abigail was a godly woman in a hard marriage (1 Sam 25). Her husband was a worthless man, and his bad character affected her profoundly.

When David dealt with Nabal, Nabal responded badly, and David threatened the destruction of his household in response. Abigail wisely interceded and was able to deter David from his unfaithful path.

She served as the voice of righteousness, saving the lives of many and preventing David from serious sin. When women face similar situations, they should speak, trust the Lord, and pray for his will to be done.

Mary, similarly, influenced Jesus to perform his first miracle at Cana. He transformed water into wine at his mother's urging, which would serve as the first confirmation of his true identity and deity.

Jesus also chose women to be the first eyewitnesses to his deity. They model the truth that women must magnify Jesus, in biblical faithfulness and femininity.

Questions:

- 1. How do you view the voice of women?
- 2. Ladies, do you magnify Jesus in your speech? How would you like to grow?
- 3. Men, how can you lead and encourage the women in your life to magnify Jesus?

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