

# UNLEASHED

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**What you hold in your hand** is an incredible resource, a tool designed to help us effectively partner with parents and lead children into a growing relationship with God.

**Contained within the pages of this booklet you'll find:**

- a. Important scriptures, such as our memory verse.
- b. Amazing and relevant Bible stories.
- c. Key points that make up the exciting messages planned for this entire series.
- d. A place to stamp for each service attended.

This booklet was created to inform you of exactly what our children's ministry will speak about each service. You'll be able to review with your children the messages covered, and also look ahead as the series unfolds.

**So partner with us** and help your children learn responsibility by bringing this booklet every service. Each time they visit, we will put a stamp in their book to show that they attended, and also filled out each point of that day's lesson in this book.

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You are a marvel. Wondrously created by our loving Heavenly Father, you are made in His image, and His most beloved creation. We know this because of the shockingly high price He paid for you. He created something awe-inspiring when He made you: a super-powered child of the living God, someone that no weapon formed against can prosper!

Yet sometimes that gets forgotten along the way. It might be because of the distractions life here has to offer. It might be because of the lies you hear on television, social media, schools, or even from those around you. There's an enemy that wants to control you, hold you back, and keep you believing something you know is wrong. Peer pressure may have a strong and friendly voice, but inside you know it's not right. Facing off against that each day can be a fight of faith, and you really have to suit up for battle.

Don't worry if you crash – no one is perfect! Perhaps that flightpath you had to the stars got shot down. Your head might have been in the clouds, aiming for higher, further, and faster – but maybe that deceiving voice got to you.

You just can't let that stop you now. Sure, we all fall from time to time. You're only human. But that's your greatest power: you can get back up again. And if God is for you, nothing can stand against you.

If you've felt like you've been fighting the good fight of faith with one arm tied behind your back, it's time to remember who you really are. You are more than a conqueror. You are a royal priesthood. You are the head and not the tail, above and not beneath.

Don't let others tell you what you can and cannot do. Don't submit to that, don't believe those lies, and don't even listen to them. The only opinion that matters is the one of the God who created us, and He's got a lot to say about us, if we'd just open up His book.

It's time for your big hero moment, because you're about to take things to the next level. What exactly will happen when you set yourself free? Don't hold back, and let's find out. It's time to get unleashed!

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“A thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so they may have life. I want them to have it in the fullest possible way.” John 10:10 NIRV

“No! In all these things we are more than winners! We owe it all to Christ, who has loved us.” Romans 8:37 NIRV

“The Lord your God will make you leaders, not followers. Pay attention to His commands that I’m giving you today. Be careful to obey them. Then you will always be on top. You will never be on the bottom.” Deuteronomy 28:13 NIRV

“But God chose you to be His people. You are royal priests. You are a holy nation. You are God’s special treasure. You are all these things so that you can give Him praise. God brought you out of darkness into His wonderful light.”  
1 Peter 2:9 NIRV

“I know the plans I have for you,” announces the Lord. “I want you to enjoy success. I do not plan to harm you. I will give you hope for the years to come.”  
Jeremiah 29:11 NIRV

“Be strong and brave. Don’t be afraid of them. Don’t be terrified because of them. The Lord your God will go with you. He will never leave you. He’ll never desert you.” Deuteronomy 31:6 NIRV

“What should we say then? Since God is on our side, who can be against us?”  
Romans 8:37 NIRV



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**1. \_\_\_\_\_ who you are.** You are a marvel, wondrously created by our loving Heavenly Father! His love was so great that He was willing to pay a high price for you. So don't forget who you are and what you represent. You are a King's kid, part of a royal priesthood, and a hero needed to fly in and save the day.

*"I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Your works are wonderful, I know that full well."* Psalm 139:14 NIV

**A. SHARE**

**B. REMEMBER**

**C. FORGET**

**2. Don't let \_\_\_\_\_ tell you what you can't do.** Peer pressure has a strong and friendly voice. There's an enemy that wants to hold you back, control you, and keep you believing what you know is not right. Don't submit to that, don't believe it, and don't even listen to that!

*"A huge cloud of witnesses is all around us. So let us throw off everything that stands in our way. Let us throw off any sin that holds on to us so tightly. And let us keep on running the race marked out for us."* Hebrews 12:1 NIRV

**A. GOD**

**B. OTHERS**

**C. YOUR MOM**

**3. Be \_\_\_\_\_!** You may have been fighting the good fight of faith with one arm tied behind your back, but now it's time to take things to the next level. What exactly happens when you set yourself free? Don't hold back, and let's find out!

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**A. UNLEASHED**

**B. UNINHIBITED**

**C. UNFORTUNATE**



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DRAW YOURSELF BELOW AS WHAT YOU WANT TO BE  
SOME DAY. IT COULD BE REAL, IT COULD BE A A  
SUPERHERO. IT COULD BE ANYTHING! IMAGINE WHERE  
YOUR LIFE COULD TAKE YOU, AND DON'T LET ANYTHING  
HOLD BACK YOUR IMAGINATION!

## BE THE MIGHTY... UNLEASHED!

If you want a true action-packed picture of what “unleashed” looks like, check out David’s Mighty Men in the Bible. If there was a last man standing, it would be one of them! These three have amazing stories, and within each one is a lesson on how we too can be the mighty... unleashed!

The leader of this trio of trouble was a guy named Josheb-Basshebeth. Get this: he was in a battle one time, and took down eight hundred Philistines with just one spear! Yet consider this: with all this skill, talent and ferocity, he didn’t hesitate to stop, submit to others and serve his future king. When David wanted a drink of water from a well in Bethlehem, Josheb-Basshebeth led his two fighting buddies all the way there, battling their way past Philistines just to get him a drink of water! Having skill and talent is one thing, but having a heart for serving others is something mighty indeed!

Eleazar was one of the three, with him on that trip. One day when the enemy soldiers rushed in, everyone pulled back. But not Eleazar! The Bible tells us he arose and attacked the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand stuck to the sword! We can be like Eleazar, because God has given us a weapon: His Word! Use God’s Word to strike down those thoughts and temptations that come rushing in. Hold on to it so tightly that you can’t let go, because you know something? God’s Word makes you mighty!

The last of the three Mighty Men was a guy named Shammah. Just like Eleazar, he stood his ground and committed himself fully to defending God’s kingdom. Everyone else fled, but Shammah actually held his ground, defending a field of beans from a surge of Philistine invaders! While others may talk of doing things for the church, it is only the mighty that actually do things for the church. A bean patch may have been a small thing to defend, but Shammah would not give an inch to that onslaught of Philistines! Like him, we too should hold our ground, and be committed to those things we stand up for. Do whatever it takes to win, big or small, because of this simple truth: being committed is what makes you mighty!

These three Mighty Men would tell you that being mighty is not all about spears, swords and defending bean patches. It’s about service, holding tightly to what we believe, and committing ourselves fully to God’s amazing plan for our lives. If you want to be mighty, remember these three, and remember their stories. Then you too can become the Mighty ...Unleashed!

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Here are the names of David's mighty warriors.

Josheb-Basshebeth was chief of the three mighty warriors. He was a Tahkemonite. He used his spear against 800 men. He killed all of them at one time.

Next to him was Eleazar. He was one of the three mighty warriors. He was the son of Dodai, the Ahohite. Eleazar was with David at Pas Dammim. That's where Israel's army made fun of the Philistines who were gathered there for battle. Then the Israelites pulled back. But Eleazar stayed right where he was. He struck down the Philistines until his hand grew tired. But he still held on to his sword. The Lord helped him win a great battle that day. The troops returned to Eleazar. They came back to him only to take what they wanted from the dead bodies.

Next to him was Shammah, the son of Agee. Shammah was a Hararite. The Philistines gathered together at a place where there was a field full of lentils. Israel's troops ran away from the Philistines. But Shammah took his stand in the middle of the field. He didn't let the Philistines capture it. He struck them down. The Lord helped him win a great battle.

David was at the cave of Adullam. During harvest time, three of the 30 chief warriors came down to him there. A group of Philistines was camped in the Valley of Rephaim. At that time David was in his usual place of safety. Some Philistine troops were stationed at Bethlehem. David longed for a drink of water. He said, "I wish someone would get me water from the well near the gate of Bethlehem." So the three mighty warriors fought their way past the Philistine guards. They got some water from the well near the gate of Bethlehem. They took the water back to David. But David refused to drink it. Instead, he poured it out as a drink offering to the Lord. "Lord, I would never drink that water!" David said. "It stands for the blood of these men. They put their lives in danger by going to Bethlehem to get it." So David wouldn't drink it.

Those were some of the brave things the three mighty warriors did.

2 Samuel 23:8-17 NIRV



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1. \_\_\_\_\_ **makes you mighty.** Josheb-Basshebeth was chief of the three Mighty Men of David, and could take out 800 Philistines with just one spear. Yet with all this skill, talent and ferocity, he still had a heart to serve his king, battling Philistines just to get David a sip of water. Having skill and talent is one thing, but having a heart for serving others is something mighty indeed! *“God is fair. He will not forget what you have done. He will remember the love you have shown Him. You showed it when you helped His people. And you show it when you keep on helping them.”* Hebrews 6:10 NIRV

**A. SERVING OTHERS      B. FIGHTING WITH THE ENEMY      C. TRAINING**

2. \_\_\_\_\_ **makes you mighty.** Eleazar fought against the Philistines so hard, standing alone. He was tired, yet he kept on going and he could not let go of his sword. As you move forward, you need to cling to what you read in God’s Word, and what you hear at church. Hold on to it so tightly that later on, when temptations and troubles come, you cannot let go of it. You may feel tired or weak, but you can fight the good fight of faith, because of this one truth: God’s Word makes you mighty.

*“The Word of God is alive and active. It is sharper than any sword that has two edges. It cuts deep enough to separate soul from spirit. It can separate bones from joints. It judges the thoughts and purposes of the heart.”* Hebrews 4:12 NIRV

**A. STRENGTH      B. GOD’S WORD      C. CONTROL**

3. \_\_\_\_\_ **makes you mighty.** Shammah defended a field of beans from an onslaught of Philistine invaders! He committed himself fully to defending God’s Kingdom, even fighting for something seemingly small, even when others were fleeing and afraid. We cannot give an inch to the enemy. We must be completely committed. In school or anywhere else, we may be tempted to give ground in certain areas. But we must be like Shammah, completely committed to what we know is truth.

*“And may you commit your lives completely to the Lord our God. May you live by His rules. May you obey His commands. May you always do as you are doing now.”* 1 Kings 8:61 NIRV

**A. POWER      B. COURAGE      C. COMMITMENT**

## HOW CAN YOU BE MIGHTY?

God has a different way of seeing what “mighty” is. In 1 Samuel 16:7, it says, *“The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outside of a person. But the Lord looks at what is in the heart.”*

It’s not about muscles, armor, or action hero poses! It’s about your heart. The Lord was saying that about scrawny David, who himself became a mighty man of God. King David would go on to do incredible things for the Kingdom of God!

**So... how can you be mighty?** It’s all in your heart. It all starts with love for God, and for one another. Jesus told us in Mark 12:30-31 what was most important: *“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. Love him with all your mind and with all your strength.” And here is the second one. ‘Love your neighbor as you love yourself.’ There is no commandment more important than these.”*

If you want to be mighty, the way to do it is simple. Love and serve God. Also love and serve others. You don’t have to be like those mighty men who battled Philistines just to get King David a drink of water from a well in Bethlehem. But true mightiness starts with a good heart, and a willingness to serve others. That’s how you become the mighty... unleashed!

**Write below ways that you can think of others first this summer, with a heart willing to help, and serve:**

## THE SECRET PLACE

Do you really want to be unleashed? There is one place that you can find everything you need in life. It's where you find your power, your calling, and your destiny. It's where we all find our identity, which is who we are – and who we will be. It's all found in one place: our secret place.

But what exactly is the secret place? To find that answer, look throughout your Bible and see for yourself where the greats in God's Hall of Faith found their true identity.

It's clearest when we look at the life of Jesus himself, the King of kings. Right after Jesus fed more than 5,000 people with just two fish and five loaves of bread, and right before he walked on water across the Sea of Galilee, the Bible tells us exactly what Jesus did: "With the crowd dispersed, he climbed the mountain so he could be by himself and pray. He stayed there alone, late into the night." Matthew 14:23 (MSG)

We love to read about the miracles, and seeing the power of Jesus unleashed, but these in-between scriptures are just as crucial. They're important, because that's where Jesus found his purpose, his identity, and his power. And that's where you'll find it too: in the secret place.

When you spend time alone with your Heavenly Father, you'll be empowered with purpose, guidance, and everything you need in life to become what this world needs. When you spend time alone in worship, in His word, and in prayer, you'll become ... unleashed!



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“He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.” Psalm 91:1 NKJV

“But put God’s kingdom first. Do what He wants you to do. Then all those things will also be given to you.” Matthew 6:33 NIRV

“When Jesus saw his ministry drawing huge crowds, he climbed a hillside. Those who were apprenticed to him, the committed, climbed with him. Arriving at a quiet place, he sat down and taught his climbing companions.” Matthew 5:1-2 (MSG)

“Be still, and know that I am God.” Psalm 46:10 NIRV

“When you pray, go into your room. Close the door and pray to your Father, who can’t be seen. Your Father will reward you, because He sees what you do secretly.” Matthew 6:6 NIRV

“It was very early in the morning and still dark. Jesus got up and left the house. He went to a place where he could be alone. There he prayed. Simon and his friends went to look for Jesus. When they found him, they called out, ‘Everyone is looking for you!’” Mark 1:35-37 NIRV

“I am the true vine. My Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch joined to me that does not bear fruit. He trims every branch that does bear fruit. Then it will bear even more fruit. You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain joined to me, just as I also remain joined to you. No branch can bear fruit by itself. It must remain joined to the vine. In the same way, you can’t bear fruit unless you remain joined to me. I am the vine. You are the branches. If you remain joined to me, and I to you, you will bear a lot of fruit. You can’t do anything without me.” John 15:1-5 NIRV

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**1. Get \_\_\_\_\_.** In between all his amazing messages and miracles, our Bibles show us where Jesus often got away from everyone, getting unplugged from all the action and noise. We spend a lot of time plugging into things that compete to use up all our time, some good things and others not. But in all that, what is your biggest priority? Scriptures tell us to seek first the Kingdom of God. What is it that you are seeking first?

*“But Jesus often went away to be by himself and pray.”* Luke 5:16 NIRV

**A. FAITH**

**B. REAL**

**C. UNPLUGGED**

**2. Are you really \_\_\_\_\_?** There is a greater power within you that can only be found when you find the secret place, and plug into what God has for us there. That means making time to get away, and going somewhere higher that only the committed are willing to go. If you’re prepared to do what it takes to get there, that’s the very spot where you can hear from Jesus, and receive all he is ready to share.

*“When Jesus saw his ministry drawing huge crowds, he climbed a hillside. Those who were apprenticed to him, the committed, climbed with him. Arriving at a quiet place, he sat down and taught his climbing companions.”*

Matthew 5:1-2 (MSG)

**A. COMMITTED**

**B. RICHER**

**C. POWERFUL**

**3. Find \_\_\_\_\_ in the secret place.** Prayer is the very link that connects us with God. When you spend time with Him in the secret place, you’ll find your identity, your power, and your destiny. It’s the most important conversation of your day. Make a commitment today to join Him in that secret place and receive all He has to offer. Then you too can live a life... unleashed!

*“Never stop praying.”* 1 Thessalonians 5:17 NIRV

**A. IDENTITY**

**B. POWER**

**C. DESTINY**

**D. ALL OF THE ABOVE**

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Do you want to be unleashed? The way to do it is by spending more time in the secret place! Today, make a promise – just between you and God. Promise to spend more time in prayer, and promise to spend more time studying His word.

Fill in below the times during the week you promise making yourself stronger. It's up to you how long you spend reading, or praying. The important thing is that you follow through.

## **I PROMISE TO READ MY BIBLE THESE TIMES DURING THE WEEK:**

SUNDAY: \_\_\_\_\_  
MONDAY: \_\_\_\_\_  
TUESDAY: \_\_\_\_\_  
WEDNESDAY: \_\_\_\_\_  
THURSDAY: \_\_\_\_\_  
FRIDAY: \_\_\_\_\_  
SATURDAY: \_\_\_\_\_

*“God has breathed life into all Scripture. It is useful for teaching us what is true. It is useful for correcting our mistakes. It is useful for making our lives whole again. It is useful for training us to do what is right. By using Scripture, the servant of God can be completely prepared to do every good thing.”*  
*2 Timothy 3:16-17 NIRV*

## **I PROMISE TO SPEND THIS TIME PRAYING EACH DAY:**

SUNDAY: \_\_\_\_\_  
MONDAY: \_\_\_\_\_  
TUESDAY: \_\_\_\_\_  
WEDNESDAY: \_\_\_\_\_  
THURSDAY: \_\_\_\_\_  
FRIDAY: \_\_\_\_\_  
SATURDAY: \_\_\_\_\_

*“Never stop praying.” 1 Thessalonians 5:17 NIRV*



## JESUS UNLEASHED

They wanted him dead, his life forgotten, and anything to do with him completely wiped from existence. After locking him away, they bound him up, and then they nailed him to a cross. And just to be sure, afterwards they even put him deep in a tomb, covering it with a boulder so big that it took a dozen or more men just to move. That man wasn't going anywhere.

At least that's what they thought. The amazing thing is that all their effort only amounted to one thing: Jesus ...was unleashed!

It would be a turning point, a complete game changer, and the most epic event ever. Jesus walked out of that grave with power unleashed and in a single, explosive moment, the course of human history was jolted in a new direction.

Until then, for years the world was in bondage, held captive by the chains of sin. Though Adam was the first to fall into sin's tight grasp, each and every one of us has been caught up in that tangled web, in grave danger of the nightmare of an eternal death.

But two-thousand years ago, the unstoppable power of Jesus broke every chain, and brought the kingdom of darkness to its knees. Nothing could stand in his way!

In fact, there is only one thing that can come close to matching His infinite power, and that's His infinite love for you. He's got great plans for you, and that's why he went through so much. He's longing to help set you free, see you filled with His spirit, and see those dreams come true. He wants to see you unleashed!

It won't take much effort from you. If you're struggling and need help, don't worry: his mighty love and power await you. If you've done things you know you shouldn't, don't worry: his mighty love and power await you. And if you're ready to be set free, and be free indeed, don't worry: his mighty love and power await you.

He's ready for you to be unleashed!

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“The Spirit of the Lord and King is on me.  
The Lord has anointed me  
to announce good news to poor people.  
He has sent me to comfort  
those whose hearts have been broken.  
He has sent me to announce freedom  
for those who have been captured.  
He wants me to set prisoners free  
from their dark cells.”  
Isaiah 61:1 NIRV

“Stand fast therefore in the liberty with which Christ has made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.” Galatians 5:1 AKJV

“If the Son sets you free, then you will be really free.” John 8:36 GNT

“When I was in great trouble, I cried out to the Lord. He answered me and set me free from my trouble.” Psalm 118:5 NIRV

“Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us.” Hebrews 12:1 NLT

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1. \_\_\_\_\_ **broke the chains.** He was bound, crucified and put deep in a tomb covered by a boulder so big that it took dozens of men just to roll into place. But no grave could keep Jesus down. He shattered the power of sin and death, making a public spectacle over them, triumphing over all!

*“And on that cross Christ freed himself from the power of the spiritual rulers and authorities; he made a public spectacle of them by leading them as captives in his victory procession.”* Colossians 2:15 GNT

**A. JESUS**

**B. YOU**

**C. CHESTER**

2. \_\_\_\_\_ **can separate us.** Consider the might and power of our God, who created the heavens and the earth just by speaking them into existence. Amazing! And there’s only one thing that compares to the amazing power of God: His indescribable love for each of us. Nothing can separate us from the love of God. Absolutely nothing!

*“I am absolutely sure that not even death or life can separate us from God’s love. Not even angels or demons, the present or the future, or any powers can separate us. Not even the highest places or the lowest, or anything else in all creation can separate us. Nothing at all can ever separate us from God’s love. That’s because of what Christ Jesus our Lord has done.”* Romans 8:38 NIRV

**A. PEOPLE**

**B. ANGER**

**C. NOTHING**

3. **Do you want to be** \_\_\_\_\_ **?** Jesus made a way for us to be free, and filled with the power of the Holy Spirit. All we have to do is throw off every hindrance and run to him. His arms are open wide. It’s time to be unleashed!

*“If the Son sets you free, then you will be really free.”* John 8:36 GNT

**A. UNLEASHED**

**B. UNRESTRICTED**

**C. UNHAPPY**



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THE BEST WAY TO BE A REAL HERO IS TELL THE WORLD ABOUT THE LOVE OF JESUS! HE HAS GIVEN US A MISSION TO HELP SAVE THE WORLD. WHAT ARE SOME WAYS THAT YOU CAN SHARE THE GOOD NEWS WITH OTHERS? LIST THEM BELOW, AND GET READY TO UNLEASH GOD'S LOVE IN A POWERFUL WAY!

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