

Saturday & Sunday, September 15 & 16, 2018 - “Unsung Heroes - Week 2: Jethro” - Doug Kempton

Key Passages: Exodus 2:15-21,Exodus 18:5-19:24, Leviticus 19:33-34

* + Feel free to read the passage(s) out loud as a group
	+ Allow the group to share freely about what stood out to them from the passage or from Sunday’s message

Main Ideas

* + Who is Reuel? (also known as Jethro)
		- He was the father-in-law of Moses
		- Priest of Midian
	+ Exodus 2:15-21
		- Moses is on the run after killing an Egyptian and ends up in Midian
		- He stays in Jethro’s house for 40 years
	+ What makes Jethro a hero?
		- It wasn't the advice he gave
		- But the way he treated and cared for Moses
	+ Moses was a refugee
		- Leviticus 19:33-34: God cares about the way we respond to refugees
		- It was a risk for Jethro to take Moses in
		- v21 He gave moses his daughter (to marry)
		- Moses learned what he needed to learn for the task God had called him to while he was in Midian (leadership, wilderness survival)
		- Jethro was a mentor to Moses
	+ “To be a mentor is to be an unsung hero” - Doug Kempton
		- Giving our lives away for this after us
		- Entrusting to others what God has entrusted to us
	+ Mentorship can be seasonal (what God has given us)
		- Coming from out stories
		- What God has taught us about Him and following Him
	+ Jethro and Moses and a mentorship relationship
		- v7 Moses humbles himself before his father in law
		- v7-9 they shared and celebrated what had happened
		- Jethro = a trusted advisor for Moses (Jethro gave advice even though Moses talked as face to face with God)
		- Sometimes God speaks to us through other people —> importance of community —> connected beyond church service
	+ Jethro was actually likely a priest of Baal (false God)
		- And yet he was a mentor for Moses for 40 years
		- We have to be careful tat we don’t reject someone God may use to teach us just because they don't believe everything that we do
	+ Jethro went from a priest of Baal to a worshipper of God through his relationship with and mentorship of Moses

Questions(Feel free to use all of these, some of these, or none of these)

* 1. When was a time that you took a risk to care for someone like Jethro did with Moses?
	2. How have you benefited from a mentor type relationship in the past?
	3. Have you ever been a mentor to someone? What was it like? What did God show you?
	4. How is God growing you in the giving your life away for those who are coming after you?
	5. Who is God calling you to help reach their full redemptive potential?
	6. What is God inviting you into as a result of this passage or message?

\*\***15 Minutes with God Reading Plan-**

**Mon: John 11 Tues: John 12 Wed: John 13 Thurs: John 14 Fri: John 15**

**Songs from the weekend: [*Alive* - Hillsong Y&F] - *[Joy of the Lord*- Grace Original] - [*Jesus Paid It All* - Kristian Stanfil] - [Praises (Be Lifted Up) *- Bethel Music*]**