



## DGM Message Summary: Yesterday's King Pt.2

Takeaway: In the first part of the “Yesterday’s King” series, we learned that God will show you how to live the life you’ve always dreamed of if you simply abide and live in Christ Jesus. THIS WEEK, we’re going to discover where to find the courage to obey Christ and how to maintain that obedience in Him all the days of our lives.

### Scriptural References:

- Exodus 14:21
  - “21 Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the Lord caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea into dry land, and the waters were divided.” (NKJV)
  - When Moses obeyed God, he was able to lead the Israelites safely and with confidence.
  - Before they got into the thick of things, God fixed it because they were obedient to Him.
- Joshua 3:15-16
  - “and as those who bore the ark came to the Jordan, and the feet of the priests who bore the ark dipped in the edge of the water (for the Jordan overflows all its banks during the whole time of harvest), 16 that the waters which came down from upstream stood still ...”(NKJV)
  - Unlike Moses’ generation, the Joshua generation had to get their feet wet first, before they could move on.
  - Moses was able to lead the people on dry land, yet Joshua had to lead people to the water’s edge, where the grounds were still wet, to see if they’d truly move forward.
    - In our lives, we may have to get our feet wet, first, before God comes in and fixes it.
    - As we go to it, and through it, God opens it. Sometimes, we have to take our own steps.
- Matthew 5:13a
  - “You are the salt of the earth, ;but if the salt loses its flavor...”(NKJV)
  - Jesus didn’t say “I am the salt,” but that “YOU are the salt.”
    - He made us different, so why are we hiding?
    - He made us with flavor, so why would we want to live like everybody else?

- The enemy wants us to become timid and shy. He wants our lights to be hidden, as we conform to everybody else's ways of living.
- Matthew 5:13b
  - "...but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men."(NKJV)
  - Jesus was saying that there is a possibility that Christians, who conform and try to be like everybody else, can lose what makes them different.
  - The fact we're different is what makes us attractive.
    - But if we lose our distinction, we lose our worth.

Key points: We know that obedience is an act of respect to the ultimate authority, God. And if you want to experience the life God has for you, you must chose Him first, above all else. But what happens when we're called to be courageous in a threatening, intimidating, or different scenario? How do we live courageously in all things? The Bible has many stories of men and women that were faced with impossible situations, and led others through them by trusting in God's supernatural ability to do all things. Therefore be encouraged, and live courageous today!