



# LIFE GROUPS

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PRAYER

Week of May 10, 2026

Sermon: Honoring Ordinary

Text: John 19:23–27 & Luke 1:26–33

*"Just ordinary people, God uses ordinary people. He chooses people just like me and you, who are willing to do as He commands. God uses people that will give Him all, no matter how small your all may seem to you; because little becomes much as you place it in the Master's hand."*

That's an old line from a gospel song that says it well—*God uses ordinary people.*

Mary's life begins in a place like that—quiet, small, and largely unnoticed. Yet God meets her there. From Nazareth to the cross, her story reminds us of something we often forget: ordinary, placed in the hands of God, becomes extraordinary. And the quiet, faithful ways we love and serve matter more than we know.

## 1 – Open/Check-In

Is there a woman (mother or not) whose quiet, steady influence has shaped your life? What is something she did that may have seemed ordinary—but made a lasting impact?

## 2 – The Word / John 19:23–27

What stands out to you in this passage?

## 3 – Reflect

Mary's story begins in an ordinary place and continues all the way to the cross. Which part of her faithfulness speaks to you most right now? And why?

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| (a) God meeting her in the ordinary                 | (d) Her quiet, daily faithfulness |
| (b) Her trust in God's plan                         | (e) Her strength in suffering     |
| (c) Her willingness to stay when others walked away |                                   |

## 4 – Respond (Spiritual Formation/Growth)

1. Where in your life might God be inviting you to trust Him with something that feels small, ordinary, or unseen right now?
2. Is there someone you need to honor this week?

## 5 – Pray Together

Share specific prayer requests with each other and pray for one another.

*Let it be to me according to your word. (Luke 1:38)*