Brave in the Battle

Theme: Becoming Fierce Through the Fire Scripture Focus: "Do not be afraid of them; the Lord your God himself will fight for you." — Deuteronomy 3:22 (NIV)

Change has a way of shaking us loose from the familiar. It moves us out of comfort and into confrontation—sometimes with people, sometimes with our own fears. But every storm we face holds the opportunity to uncover something fierce within us. Not harsh or bitter—but bold. Grounded. Unshakable.

Enemies don't always come with swords. Sometimes they come with criticism. Rejection. Silence. Sometimes they're the voices that say, *"You're not enough."*

Let me tell you about Jordan.

Jordan worked hard-showed up early, stayed late, gave every task their full effort. But no matter what he did, it never seemed to be enough. A manager once said, "You're good, but you're just not leadership material." In friendships, they felt overlooked. In family gatherings, his accomplishments were barely acknowledged. Over time, that message embedded itself deep into Jordan's heart: You're not good enough. One night, after a particularly hard week, Jordan sat in their car, exhausted and on the verge of tears. Then a thought came—not his own, but guiet and steady like a whisper in their soul: "You are chosen. You are equipped. You are Mine." Jordan pulled out a sticky note and wrote: Lie: I'm not good enough. Then they drew a thick black line through it. Underneath, he wrote: Truth: I am called and gualified by God. I have what I need because He is with me. Jordan stuck the note on his dashboard. Every morning, read it out loud—even when he didn't believe it yet. Something began to shift. Not overnight, but little by little, truth started to replace the lie. Confidence returned—not arrogance, but *God-given courage*. Because fierce doesn't always look like shouting. Sometimes it looks like speaking truth into a world that keeps trying to shut you down.

Reflection

Being fierce doesn't mean fighting back with fists. It means standing in truth, filled with the Spirit, unmoved by fear. Everyone you see is going through something it maybe personal, at work, at home or even something emotional, invisible to us but present to them. We all need to stand up and be fierce in faith. You are a child of God. That means you are not powerless. You are not weak. You are **fierce**, even when your voice shakes.

- What lie have you believed about your worth or value?
- What truth from God's Word do you need to speak over yourself today?

Today's Fierce Step

Write down a **lie** you've believed about yourself—then **cross it out** and write **God's truth** in its place.

Say it out loud. Let your own ears hear the strength in your voice.

Prayer

God, You see the battles we face—some from others, and some from within. When we feel unworthy or not enough, remind us of Your truth. You created each of us on purpose, with purpose. Help us to stand in that identity—not with pride, but with bold, unshakable confidence in You. In Jesus Name we pray, **Amen**.

Discussion Questions

- Have you ever been told you weren't "good enough"? How did that affect your confidence or choices?
- What does being "fierce in faith" mean in the workplace or during personal trials?
- What Scripture verses remind you of your value and calling?
- Who around you might be believing the same lie Jordan believed? How can you speak life and truth into their situation?