Holy Interruptions

When God Taps You On The Shoulder Debbie Dufek

I experienced my first Holy Interruption when God invited me to be His. I never looked back. Jesus changed my life. Radically. Pregnant at 15, I voted for myself as least likely to succeed, but He had specific plans and purposes for me. Like a sponge, I studied the lives of the women in Scripture, soaking in all I could from their stories. I found each one had Holy Interruptions, and I wasn't the only one God tapped on the shoulder. These passionate years of study and the call of God to live deliberately birthed this book.

Women experience common struggles. In every season of life, we're searching for answers, and we're tired of living mediocre lives. Many have become disillusioned with God, disheartened with marriage, and are leaving their husbands and even their children.

Biblical women became my mentors. The issues they encountered are similar to mine. In Scripture, we see answers to the questions and situations these women faced. Those answers remain there for us today. Women are longing for significance. We matter to God. He's left directions for hard seasons in His Word. Sharing in the lives of biblical women as our mentors, we can choose to walk in all He has called us to, as they did. We travel in their footsteps. We feel what they felt. We grieve as they grieved.



We discover:

- Martha—a busy woman—had her heart changed from a few quiet moments with her Master.
- Mary—a contemplative woman—modeled what Jesus calls the only thing necessary.
- Rahab—a scorned and rejected woman—was placed into the lineage of His Son.
- Sarah—a barren woman—received the promise she longed for.

We find hope as they found hope. Hope that will never disappoint when we grasp how loved we are.

Woven throughout my book are stories from my life and the lives of many other biblical women, encouraging women to walk hard after the Lord, embracing the answers penned for us on purpose.

Readers will walk away understanding the value of biblical mentors in a day when life is challenging. They will find joy in the truth that God is calling them to be part of a larger picture, and willingly respond to His *Holy Interruptions*.



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About Me:

There is immeasurable joy to be found when observing God's hand at work in small moments and ordinary days. Over the past four decades this truth has become central to Deb Dufek's life, emerging as a vital theme in her work as a conference and retreat speaker, storyteller, writer and teacher.

As the mother of six daughters and one son, Deb Dufek is an expert by default. Her passion is to encourage women, young and old, from the Word of God and the depths of her life message (and her corrected failures)

Deb lives with her retired husband, Bob, in upstate New York where she's in close community with her seven children and twenty-one grandchildren. In the mix of her huge family, six great grandchildren have been added as well.

When she's not with her family, Deb spends much of her time writing. Her debut book, "Holy Interruptions: When God Taps You on the Shoulder", is due to be released in 2022. Until then, you can read her

blog at **cherishingordinarydays.com**. Her website is **debbiedufek.com**

Marketing Strategy:

- Book Launch: Managed by a professional
- Social Media
- Website: DebbieDufek.com
- Blog: CherishingOrdinaryDays.com
- Email list
- Speaking engagements

Chapter Titles:

Chapter One ~ Why Are We So Different? Chapter Two ~ Your People Will Be My People Chapter Three ~ He Heard the Cry of My Heart Chapter Four ~ Let It Be Just As You Say Chapter Five ~ He Called Me Daughter Chapter Six ~ She Will Be Remembered Chapter Seven ~ I Know Your God Now Chapter Eight ~ Welcome to My Home Chapter Nine ~ It's My Greatest Joy Chapter Ten ~ Our Words Will Heal or Harm Chapter Eleven ~ Can I Trust You Chapter Twelve ~ I Was Born For This Chapter Thirteen ~ And Then I Had Laughter Chapter Thirteen ~ Let Me Finish At Your Feet Chapter Fourteen ~ How Can I Ever Thank You? Chapter Fifteen ~ Tell Us Your Story

Comparative Analysis:

- Women of the Bible Speak: The Wisdom of 16 Women & Their Lessons for Today by Shannon Brean March 2021
- Women of the Bible: A One Year Devotional Study by Ann Spangler: Pub. Sep. 2015
- Jesus and Women: In the 1 st Century and Now by Krisit McLelland: Pub. Mar. 2020
- Significant: A Study of Women in Jesus' Genealogy by Rachel Risner: Pub. Jun. 2020
- Women of the Bible: 52 Bible Studies for Individuals and Groups by Jean Syswerda: Pub. Sep. 2018
- Fierce: Women of the Bible Who Changed the World by Jennifer Cowert: Pub. Sep. 2019

Genre: Christian Living Word Count: 55,000 Target Audience: Christian women who desire to press into the Lord, living for what matters to Him. Ages: 30 - 60

