



UNLIKELY HEROES – Pt. 13
Tabitha / Dorcas
Making an Impact in Life or Death

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1. We are saved to _____.

Acts 9:36-37 (NIV), ³⁶ In Joppa there was a **disciple named Tabitha** (in Greek her name is **Dorcas**); she was **always doing good and helping the poor.** ³⁷ About that time **she became sick and died**, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room.”

James 2:14-17 (NIV), ¹⁴ What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone **claims to have faith but has no deeds?** Can such faith save them? ¹⁵ Suppose a brother or a sister is **without clothes and daily food.** ¹⁶ If one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,” but **does nothing** about their physical needs, what good is it? ¹⁷ In the same way, **faith by itself**, if it is not accompanied by action, **is dead.**”

Philippians 2:3-4 (NIV), ³ Do nothing out of **selfish ambition** or vain conceit. Rather, in **humility** value others above yourselves, ⁴ not looking to **your own interests** but each of you to the **interests of the others.**”

Galatians 6:10, “Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us **do good** to all people, **especially** to those who belong to the **family of believers.**”

2. We are gifted to _____.

Acts 9:38-39 (NIV), ³⁸ Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, “Please come at once!” ³⁹ Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and **showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made** while she was still with them.”

Proverbs 31:19-20 (NLT), ¹⁹ Her hands are busy spinning thread, her fingers twisting fiber. ²⁰ She **extends a helping hand** to the poor and **opens her arms** to the needy.”

1 Peter 4:10 (NIV), “Each of you should use **whatever gift** you have received to **serve others**, as faithful **stewards** of God’s grace in its various forms.”

3. We are blessed to be a _____.

Acts 9:40-41 (NIV), ⁴⁰ **Peter sent them all out of the room;** then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, “**Tabitha, get up.**” She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up. ⁴¹ He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called for the believers, especially the widows, and **presented her to them alive.**”

Mark 5:35-42 (NLT), ⁴⁰ **The crowd laughed at him. But he made them all leave,** and he took the girl’s father and mother and his three disciples into the room where the girl was lying. ⁴¹ Holding her hand, he said to her, “**Talitha koum,**” which means “Little girl, get up!” ⁴² And the girl, who was twelve years old, immediately stood up and walked around! They were overwhelmed and totally amazed.”

Acts 9:42 (NIV), “This became known all over Joppa, and **many people believed in the Lord.**”

“Less than 10% of Christians have the spiritual gift of evangelism but 90% have the gift of serving.” – Pastor Steve Sjogren

Matthew 5:16 (NIV), “In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may **see your good deeds** and **glorify your Father** in heaven.”
