

ASSIGNMENT

Lesson 4

Which Door Are You Standing Behind?

In this lesson we walked through many doors and met different women in Scripture. Each woman carried different tears, different fears, different longings, and different prayers. Hannah carried longing. Hagar carried rejection. Ruth carried loss. Esther carried fear. The woman with the issue of blood carried suffering.

Yet despite their pain, these women continued moving.
Now it is your turn to step into the hallway.

Part One — Find Your Door

Spend time reading or reflecting on the stories of:

Hannah, Hagar, Ruth, Esther, Woman with the issue of blood

Then answer:

- Which woman's story feels closest to my season right now?
- Why do I relate to her?
- What do I think she needed most from God?

Part Two — The Roads They Could Have Taken

Imagine these women making different choices.

What if Hannah became bitter and stopped praying?

What if Ruth became offended and returned home?

What if Esther let fear keep her silent?

What if Hagar decided she had been forgotten and stopped trusting?

What if the woman with the issue of blood stopped reaching because disappointment became stronger than hope?

Now reflect honestly:

- Have hurt, disappointment, fear, offense, bitterness, or pain kept me from moving forward?
- Which emotion do I return to most often?
- What has this emotion protected me from?
- What has this emotion cost me?
- Has my pain ever become a place I am afraid to leave because I no longer know who I would be without it?
- If God removed this pain tomorrow, what would I need to release, learn, or step into?

Part Three — Looking Ahead

Complete these statements:

If I continue holding onto these emotions, five years from now I may become...

If I surrender these things to God, perhaps I can become...

Beautiful lady, pain may explain where you are standing, but it does not have permission to decide where you are walking.

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