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Captain Marvel (2019) | *Reaching Your Full Potential* | BIBLE STUDY

Facilitator Note: We encourage facilitators to take this Bible study and expound on it throughout the week, allowing it to be a springboard for more in-depth conversation and personal meditation.

PRESS START

Captain Marvel, while being a pretty big part of the Marvel comic universe, is one of the first characters not as well-known among the general public. Everyone has a general idea of who Spiderman, X-Men, Wolverine, etc. are.

Ask: Who are some characters you would like to see brought into the next stage of the Marvel Cinematic Universe?

There was also quite a bit of nostalgia for anyone who was around in the 1990s in this movie.

Ask: What was the one thing that stood out the most to you that is something we no longer have or use as often (like Blockbuster, unless you live in Alaska).

EQUIP

In this movie, we see Carol Danvers, a woman who believed herself to be a Kree Warrior, come to terms with her identity, powers, and the fact she was not who she had been lead to believe she was. The scene where she released her full potential was not only a chilling moment due to the sheer raw power she exuded, but it was a good symbol of her leaving behind the Kree way of life. She begins to experience things she has never before been able to do, like fly, use superhuman strength, become more durable, and of course, create powerful energy blasts.

As Christians, we allow ourselves to be limited - by our fear, other's expectations of ourselves, and what we feel we are capable of. I have heard many people say, "I can not teach, I can not preach, I could never come up with a prophecy." However, these are all abilities the church body was promised in **Ephesians 4:11-16**. What could the body of Christ do if we were to walk out who we are in Christ, and then walk out the gifts and abilities God has placed in us? Maybe the "powers" God has gifted you with, a talent or skill, is not typically part of the mainstream church. Perhaps you are fantastic at writing game reviews, or taking a movie and using it to point others to scripture. How much would it glorify God if you were to take these gifts and talents and use them for his glory?

Read: Ephesians 4:11-16

LEVEL UP

Here are some scriptures about when people use their unique gifts and talents for God's glory.

Acts 5:12-16: *"Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. Moreover, they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. Moreover, more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed."*

Here we see the apostles were moving throughout the regular world, living life, and using the things they had access to share the gospel. They were walking and talking in boldness such that their shadows were healing people as they went.

James 1:22-25: *“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.”*

MOD

Ask: What is one way you have been limiting yourself with what God wants to do through you?

Ask: What is one practical thing you can do to stop limiting yourself?

Ask: What do you think the outcome will be if you take the practical step to stop limiting yourself?

PRAY

Ask: Does anyone have any prayer requests?

In addition to the individual needs of the group, let's pray, not just now, but beyond our meeting today that we would be made aware of the things that are limiting us, or holding us back from what God is wanting to do in our life.

THE NEXT LEVEL

Read: 1st Thessalonians 1:2-8

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