



# UNDER HIS WINGS

SEASON 3

EPISODE 39—Ministering With the Balm of Gilead

## SHOW NOTE HIGHLIGHTS

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### Episode Show Notes

Balm of Gilead: An aromatic gum or spice used for healing wounds (Gen. 43:11; Jer. 8:22; 46:11; 51:8). A bush producing the resin from which the balm was made grew so plentifully in Gilead in Old Testament times that the balm came to be known as the “balm of Gilead” (Gen. 37:25; Ezek. 27:17).

Acts 10:38 “How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.”

Motto OBSERVE then SERVE.

President Monson: “To find real happiness, we must seek for it in a focus outside ourselves. “No one has learned the meaning of living until he has surrendered his ego to the service of his fellow man.”

President Kimball also mentions how serving others truly does help us put our problems in a different perspective. He said; “Service to others deepens and sweetens this life while we are preparing to live in a better world. It is by serving that we learn to serve. When we are engaged in the service of our fellowmen, not only do our deeds assist them, but we put our own problems in a fresher perspective. When we concern ourselves more with others, there is less time to be concerned with ourselves! In the midst of the miracle of serving, there is the promise of Jesus that by losing ourselves, we find ourselves!”

Relief Society General President, Sister Jean B Bingham said “Sometimes we think we have to do something grand and heroic to “count” as serving our neighbors. Yet simple acts of service can have profound effects on others—as well as on ourselves. What did the Savior do? ... He... smiled at, talked with, walked with, listened to, made time for, encouraged, taught, fed, and forgave. He served family and friends, neighbors and strangers alike, and He invited acquaintances and loved ones to enjoy the rich blessings of His gospel. Those “simple” acts of service and love provide a template for our ministering today.” Understanding how **God** sees our ministering can change our perspective.

Ministering Principles:

1. God doesn't measure ministering based on dramatic results or if our efforts are even appreciate
2. When our desire is good and we make a real effort, our ministering is meaningful to Him
3. God is willing to magnify even our “small or inconspicuous service”

President Monson said... “Occasionally discouragement may darken our pathway; frustration may be a constant companion. In our ears there may sound the sophistry of Satan as he whispers, “You cannot save the world; your small efforts are meaningless. You haven't time to be concerned for others.” Trusting in the Lord, let us turn our heads from such falsehoods and make certain our feet are firmly planted in the path of service and our hearts and souls dedicated to follow the example of the Lord.”

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