



# Barbara T. Marshall

International Speaker and Author

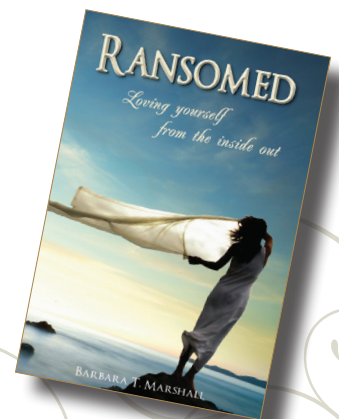
*Barbara T. Marshall is often described as energetic, dynamic, compelling and passionate with messages that reach right to the heart.* As President and Founder of Thriving in Christ Ministries®, Barbara has been serving as an international Christian speaker since 1993 and has a passion for helping others grow from merely surviving to thriving in Christ. Most recently she has extended her outreach to television with her weekly cable TV show, *The Barbara T. Marshall Show*.

A Dutch native, Barbara came to America as a nanny when she was 19. No stranger to hardship and heartache, she survived a traumatic divorce with three young children, struggles with rejection and insecurity, a 17-year eating disorder, and the trials and challenges of parenthood. Though she accepted Christ as her Savior at the age of 14, she did not really grasp and embrace His amazing love for her. Years later—broken, alone and desperate for joy—she finally surrendered to the love and grace of Jesus and began claiming His promises for her life. That is when she began to understand the power of thriving in Christ, rather than just surviving. God changed her heart and that of her former husband and ultimately restored their family. They remarried and today enjoy a beautiful, Christ-centered marriage—praising God for their second chance at life together. They have also had the privilege of leading several Bible studies for couples at their home church.

## **Events for Men, Women, Couples and Youth...Barb does them all!**

A diligent student of the Bible with a unique ability to reach diverse groups of people, Barbara delivers messages that reach right to the heart and foster a thriving relationship with Christ. No matter the age or sex, her audiences enjoy Barbara's gift of bringing relevant and applicable messages with her trademark humor and enthusiasm. Her zest for life is evident, her candor refreshing and her genuine love for others heartwarming. Having been a teacher and mentor in her local juvenile hall ministry for more than 10 years, Barb has a special heart for teens that draws them to her and causes them to listen on a level that is impactful and life-changing.

"Barbie" and her husband, Ken live on Lover's Lane (really!) and enjoy their adult children and grandsons. Call her today to discuss your next special event! Call (707) 489-3722 or email [barb@barbaratmarshall.com](mailto:barb@barbaratmarshall.com).



**Barbara's New Book**

**RANSOMED**  
Loving yourself from the inside out



- Energetic
- Dynamic
- Compelling
- Passionate

## BARBARA T. MARSHALL'S POPULAR TOPICS

### **RANSOMED... Loving yourself from the inside out**

Very few women can look into a mirror and see the incredible beauty staring back. In *Ransomed*, Barbara draws upon the lives of five amazing women from the Bible—Rahab, Naomi, Hannah, Deborah, and Martha—that beautifully illustrate God's ability to ransom hearts, revive tired and wounded spirits and reveal the incredible loveliness He has placed within each of us. She also shares her own personal struggles with eating disorders, a broken marriage, troubled teens, and financial hardship and explores how they have shaped her character. (One to five messages)

### **THRIVE & SHINE! Discovering and using your spiritual gifts effectively**

Through this in-depth study, Barbara's objective is for each Christian to discover, interpret and employ their Spiritual Gifts effectively and truly be salt and light to the world. This spiritual insight will open new opportunities for members to serve in the Body of Christ, as well as encourage others to discover their Gifts, allowing God to shine forth from their lives and ultimately from the Church in which they serve. (One to four messages)

### **THE REAL DEAL...Friends you can count on for life!**

Friends laugh with us, cry with us, love us, support us, comfort us, confront us and challenge us. Life is richer and sweeter when experienced with friends. God has a plan for your friendships because He knows your friends determine the quality and direction of your life. In this four-part seminar series, Barbara teaches you how to develop meaningful and lasting friendships with others by first knowing and being friends with God and yourself. You will learn the dynamics of authentic friendship by learning to celebrate the differences, build on the essentials and lean on the friend who never fails. (A four-part seminar series)

### **PHOTOGRAPHED BY THE MASTER**

Imagine your life being captured in pictures for all the world to see. Scary thought? Let's face it...not every moment is a "Kodak moment". We all have moments and painful memories we'd rather just forget and certainly not celebrate. But maybe we should be grateful for those "non-Kodak moments" as they draw us closer to God and shape us into a beautiful panoramic image. Sharing her personal battle with a poor body image, longterm eating disorder, divorce and remarriage (to the same man), Barbara's journey of pain is proof of God's faithfulness in equipping us to become everything He wants us to be.

*Please visit Barbara's website for more topics. She is also happy to customize her message to meet your specific event theme or objective.*

## *What Others Say*

"Barbara Marshall is the speaker to have if you want your audience to leave fired up about whatever topic she has been assigned. She speaks in many venues in our church—adults, youth, banquets, women's groups—and is scheduled to preach in the morning service on Mother's Day. She is an enthusiastic, down-to-earth speaker and always true to the Word; a real asset to our church body."

*~ Dr. Dennis Beatty, Senior Pastor  
First Baptist Church, Ukiah, CA*

"Barbara Marshall is a 'Must Have' for your next Retreat, Seminar, or Ministry Event. Her testimony is spell-binding and her personality electric! She is saucy, energetic and candid. Addressing real life problems with real life answers she brings hope, humor, and encouragement into the lives of everyone."

*~ Evangelist and TV Host, Tracey Mitchell*

"It was a privilege to have Barbara as a guest on our TV show, 'How to Beat the Odds'. Beautiful inside and out, she is captivating when she speaks and a wonderful storyteller. The Bible comes alive as she teaches God's Word, bringing hope and encouragement to hurting people."

*~ Evangelist and TV Host, Tommy Thomas*

"Hearing Barbara speak, it is evident she has become God's lightning rod allowing Him to do His work through her. Her presentation on "Spiritual Gifts" is eye opening, inspirational, and biblically-based, and I would recommend her to any group with the heart to hear God's Word."

*~ Dan Walker, Seminar Attendee*

"Barbara is truly remarkable. When she speaks, you know they are God's words and not just her own. She speaks in a way that is encouraging and gives us complete understanding and help with our daily problems. She is a blessing and shines with God in her heart."

*~Andrea Boen, 17 years old*

"Barbara has the ability to intertwine profound truths of scripture with the human experience in a very engaging, interactive, and humorous way to a wide range of ages."

*~ Patricia Boesel, Women's Ministry Chair,  
Grace Lutheran Church (ELCA)*

"Barbara has a very charming way about her, yet is a dynamic speaker. Audiences warm up to her immediately as she has a very real, yet compelling way of sharing. She brings encouragement and hope to those dealing with addictions as she shares how life's biggest challenges can become beautiful moments of opportunity."

*~ Char Kellogg, Stonecroft Ministries*