

Courageous
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Joshua 1:9 Be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.

Winston Churchill “Success is never final. Failure is never fatal. It’s courage that counts.”

Numbers 13:25-33 After exploring the land for forty days, the men returned... This was their report to Moses: “We entered the land you sent us to explore, and it is indeed a bountiful country—a land flowing with milk and honey. Here is the kind of fruit it produces. But the people living there are powerful, and their towns are large and fortified. We even saw giants there... **But Caleb** tried to quiet the **people** as they stood before Moses. “Let’s go at once to take the land,” he said. “We can certainly conquer it!” But **the other men** who had explored the land with him disagreed. “We can’t go up against them! They are stronger than we are!” So they spread this bad report about the land among the Israelites: “The land we traveled through and explored will devour anyone who goes to live there. All the people we saw were huge. We even saw giants there, the descendants of Anak. Next to them we felt like grasshoppers, and that’s what they thought, too!”

Because Caleb had courage, it allowed him...

- ✓ To _____ up when no one else is standing.
- ✓ To _____ standing when others sit down.

Martin Luther King Jr. “The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.”

- ✓ Stand _____ when no one else is speaking.

We need the courage to...

1. Overcome _____.

2 Timothy 2:3-4 Endure suffering along with me, as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. Soldiers don’t get tied up in the affairs of civilian life, for then they cannot please the officer who enlisted them.

Matthew 16:18 “...upon this rock I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it.”

2. Express _____.

Howard Hendricks said... “A belief is something you will argue about. A conviction is something you will die for.”

Jerry Bridges said... “A belief is something that we hold; A conviction is something that holds you.”

Luke 19:10 “For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost.”

3. _____.

How do I find the courage to change?

- ✓ Change is a part of _____ plan for you.
- ✓ Remember, we cannot become what we _____ to be by remaining what we are.
- ✓ Ask the God who made you to keep _____ you.

2 Corinthians 5:17 This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!

Walk Away: True courage comes from _____, understanding that he is stronger than any enemy and that he wants to use _____ to help us.