



SUMMER

at Cypress

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TEACHING OVERVIEW

This weekend Pastor Ken shared with us a great Father's Day message about the story of a man named Ehud and reminded us of the importance of living like Christ as our one and true hero. He let us in on the insight that in order to experience deliverance and victory, we must be fully committed to God and His plan.

Encouragement

Take some time to think about someone who has been a hero in your own life. What characteristics made this person a hero? How can you be intentional this week to encourage them in some way?

How can you take the story of Ehud today and apply it to your own life? What areas in your life do you feel like God is calling you to be fully committed and to go all in? Find encouragement today in the fact that each person has a next step, and that next step can and will take place once we fully commit and fully surrender.

Scripture & Discussion

Read: [Judges 3:30](#)

Discuss

1. Pastor Ken claimed that bold breakthroughs often require bold action. Read this verse and talk about how Ehud was bold in his actions. What ways do you feel like God is calling you to be bold? Talk with your Group about what may be holding you back from taking that step of boldness.



Scripture & Discussion

Read: [Judges 3:28](#)

Discuss

1. Ehud gives full credit to God for the victory given to them over Moab. While Ehud did the physical work, the actual victory wouldn't be possible without God. Talk with your Group about how knowing the victory is in God's hands can take the pressure off of us. How can we find encouragement today in the fact that God is victorious, even despite our own efforts?

2. In this verse it says, "For the Lord has given you victory over Moab your enemy." Ehud showed great humility by recognizing that he couldn't have done any of what he did without the hand of God. In what areas of your life do you need to take a step back, take on that humility, and recognize that nothing is possible without God on our side?

Prayer

Spend some time this week praying for all the dads. If there are any dads in your Group, pray that they would have boldness in living and leading in their life for Christ. If there aren't any dads in your Group, pray over any father figures that you may have in your life. Thank God for placing them in your life and for the impact they have made on you.

Take some time to pray with your Group for breakthrough. Whether it be breakthrough of beating an addiction, forgiving someone, or countless other things, pray that God would give strength and courage to take bold action steps that will lead to breakthrough.

Next Steps

Identify one area of your life where you need to be bold for God. Take some time to pray with your Group and ask God to give each of you boldness this week to step out and take ground for Him.

Whether big or small, we all are in the middle of some struggle. Take some time to look at the struggle in your life and identify what needs to be addressed and defeated in order to move past that struggle. Pray with your Group and ask God to help each person to begin taking steps to claim victory over that struggle in Christ.