# Courage Who Needs It? May 25, 2024 Pastor Lane Olson New Song Community Church

#### A. God's commission to Joshua

#### **Deuteronomy 31:23 (ESV)**

- 1. It requires making a *Commitment* to do what God asks us to do.
- 2. It takes courage to take those steps.
- 3. It takes Courage to believe what God says, and courage to not only think it, but to speak it as well.
- 4. In the same way that Joshua needed courage, we need courage as well.

#### B. Courage starts with the heart.

- 1. It's the commitment to make room for what God wants to do.
- 2. It's connected to Bold and unshakable faith.

### Joshua 1:9 (ESV)

3. It takes courage to believe for what you can't see in front of you right now.

#### C. The power of the spoken word.

- 1. What you say to yourself is of vital importance.
- 2. Some of what you think needs to be spoken.
- 3. Faith comes by hearing and hearing (your own voice) speaking the words of faith.

## D. Courage and Convictions in three areas.

- 1. Courage to kindly stand up for what is right.
- 2. Courage in conversation.

## **Deuteronomy 20:1-4 (ESV)**

## **Deuteronomy 20:8 (ESV)**

i. You can miss God's best by talking negatively to yourself or to others.

#### Numbers 13:27-33 & 14:1-2 (ESV)

3. Wholehearted commitment means expressing it with our lips.

## **Numbers 14:24 (NIV)**

4. Some things will only happen when you are bold enough to say it.

#### Joshua 3:9-11 (NLT)

# **Next Steps Today I am:**

- 1. Stepping into a Faith relationship with God
- 2. Committing to, with God's help standing up for what I believe
- 3. Speaking the future, God has put in my heart
- 4. God is saying to me: