

Where are the Heroes

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I. Introduction.

- A. The history of the world has been the biography of great men.
- B. There are some principles still worth fighting for.
- C. There are secrets to finding out where the heroes are now.

II. The source of courage.

- A. Caleb showed special courage. (Numbers 13:17)
- B. There is a time element of obedience. (1 Corinthians 10:10; Numbers 11:2)
- C. Caleb saw the same things that the other had seen—the miracles and the promises.
 - 1. Keep a list of what God has done for you. (Psalm 105:5)
 - 2. Learn to claim the promises of God.
- D. Caleb had a different spirit. (Numbers 14:24)
- E. Sources of Caleb's courage. (Joshua 14:6)
 - 1. God's promised presence. (Joshua 1:5, 9; Haggai 2:4-5)
 - 2. The Word of God. (Joshua 1:7-8)
 - 3. Obeying the Word of God.
 - 4. Maintaining a heavenly perspective. (Colossians 1:9-10)
 - 5. Knowing what the outcome is. (Colossians 1:9-10)
 - 6. Recognizing the available power. (2 Kings 6:8)

III. The hindrances to courage.

- A. Being tired. (1 Kings 19)
- B. Being half-hearted. (Revelation 3:15-16)
- C. A lack of moral fiber. (Romans 12:1-2)
- D. A grasshopper mentality.
- E. A slave mentality—going back to old bondages. (Leviticus 26:13)

F. Fear.

G. Unbelief. (Hebrews 11:6; 3:18-19)

H. Rebellion.

IV. The results of cowardice.

V. The results of courage.

A. Leadership.

B. Strength—both human and divine.

C. Effectiveness. (1 Samuel 14:6-14)

D. Seeing things through.

Application questions:

1. How would you evaluate your own courage?

2. What do you need to remove from your life to be more courageous?

3. How can you help foster courage in others? Explain.
