

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 to obedience.
- C. Even though all of them saw God's power, Caleb had a different spirit. (Numbers 14:24)
- D. Sources of Caleb's courage. (Joshua 14:6)
 - 1. God's promised presence. (Joshua 1:5, 9)
 - 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. Recognizing the available power. (2 Kings 6:8)
 - 6. Inheriting it from the man who trains us.
 - 7. Having faith in a cause.

III. The hindrances to courage.

- A. Fatigue. (1 Kings 19)
- B. Being half-hearted. (Revelation 3:15-16)
- C. A lack of moral fiber. (Romans 12:2)
- D. A grasshopper mentality—being problem oriented.
- E. Going back to old bondages. (Leviticus 26:13)
- F. Fear. (2 Timothy 1:7)
- G. Unbelief. (Hebrews 11:6)

H. Rebellion.

IV. The results of cowardice.

A. Disobedience, defeat, discouragement and death.

B. Destroyed self image.

C. A lifetime of regret.

V. The results of courage.

A. Leadership.

B. Strength—both human and divine.

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

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.
