

Courageous Heart (Great Men of Great Nations)

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I. Introduction.

- A. Certain beliefs lay the foundations of great men.
- B. When we deny the existence of great men, we deny the value of great men.
- C. Character is what a person does when he is alone.
- D. There is something worth dying for. This gives us something worth living for.
- E. We have the wrong kind of heroes today.

II. Caleb and Joshua were real heroes. They had a different spirit about them. (Numbers 13; 14:24)

III. Courage comes from...

- A. God's promised presence. (Joshua 1:5, 9)
- B. Being in the Word of God. (Joshua 1:7-8)
- C. Obeying the Word of God.
- D. Maintaining a heavenly perspective.
- E. Recognizing the available power. (2 Kings 6)
- F. Catching it from others.
- G. Having faith in a cause.

IV. Hindrances to courage.

- A. Tiredness.
- B. Half-heartedness.
- C. A lack of moral fiber. (Romans 12:2)
- D. A problem mentality.
- E. Unbelief.
- F. Rebellion.

V. Results of courage.

- A. Leadership.

B. Strength.

C. Effectiveness.

D. Stick-to-it-iveness.

Application questions:

1. How can we foster courage in ourselves?

2. How can we foster courage in others?

3. What are some areas you need to exercise more courage in?
