



Profiles in Courage: Pt.1, Joshua & Caleb

We all have things that cause us, or have caused us, to stop moving forward. We call these obstacles “giants”. Sometimes we see the giant in front of us instead of God. Through our fears, we see what we think the outcome will be instead of the the outcome God has planned for us. However, when we look at the story of Joshua and Caleb we see that we can always trust in God’s presence and direction.

Bottom Line: When we focus on what God has promised to us through his Word, we find the courage to move forward.

Discussion Questions:

1. What would you do if you knew that you couldn’t fail?
2. Describe someone you know that has shown bravery under extreme challenges. What about them is inspiring?
3. What’s something in the past that you didn’t try because of fear of failure? What caused this fear?
4. When things seems difficult do you tend to avoid them or do you run full steam into the challenge? Give an example.
5. **Read Numbers 13:27-28, 14:1-8 & Joshua 1:6.** When faced with a daunting obstacle - the giant descendants of Anak in the promised land, all of God’s chosen people, except two, turned away in fear of the them. The other two trusted in God and faced the giants and received the reward of the promised land. Describe a “giant” currently in your life that you’d like to have victory over. How can you begin to overcome this “giant”? How can your small group help you with this?
6. **Read Ephesians 1:13-14.** God may be preparing you for something great! What steps can you take now to focus on the opportunity and not the obstacle?
7. What has been the most helpful thought/idea from the message this week? How has that thought/idea helped you?
8. How can the group encourage you this week?