

Learn to be Courageous

Getting Started

1. What insight, principle, or observation from this week's message did you find to be most helpful, eye-opening or troubling? Explain.

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Celebrate Summer Series

Let God Use Me

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“fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.”
Isaiah 41:10 ESV

**If we are going to pray the prayer God Use Me....
I Must Overcome My Fears and Be Courageous!**

My Courage Overcomes My Fear

“Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus.”
Mark 15:43 ESV

“For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.”
2 Timothy 1:6–7 ESV

Fear:

an unpleasant often strong emotion caused by anticipation or awareness of danger

Three Sources of False Fear: The Culture (World), The Devil and Myself (the Flesh).

“Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, “Behold, we are your bone and flesh.” 2 Samuel 5:1 ESV

“So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD, and they anointed David king over Israel.” 2 Samuel 5:3 ESV

1. I Need to Be Courageous in the Small Things

“In times past, when Saul was king over us, it was you who led out and brought in Israel. And the LORD said to you, ‘You shall be shepherd of my people Israel, and you shall be prince over Israel.’ ” 2 Samuel 5:2 ESV

“But David said to Saul, “Your servant used to keep sheep for his father. And when there came a lion, or a bear, and took a lamb from the flock, I went after him and struck him and delivered it out of his mouth. And if he arose against me, I caught him by his beard and struck him and killed him.” 1 Samuel 17:34–35 ESV

2. My Courage Comes from My Relationship with the Lord

“Your servant has struck down both lions and bears, and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, for he has defied the armies of the living God.” And David said, “The LORD who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine.” And Saul said to David, “Go, and the LORD be with you!” 1 Samuel 17:36–37 ESV

3. My Courage is Strengthened by Tackling the Challenges

“David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years. At Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months, and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah thirty-three years.” 2 Samuel 5:4–5 ESV

“And the king and his men went to Jerusalem against the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the land, who said to David, “You will not come in here, but the blind and the lame will ward you off”—thinking, “David cannot come in here.”” 2 Samuel 5:6 ESV

“Nevertheless, David took the stronghold of Zion, that is, the city of David.” 2 Samuel 5:7 ESV

“And David said on that day, “Whoever would strike the Jebusites, let him get up the water shaft to attack ‘the lame and the blind,’ who are hated by David’s soul.” Therefore it is said, “The blind and the lame shall not come into the house.” And David lived in the stronghold and called it the city of David. And David built the city all around from the Millo inward.” 2 Samuel 5:8–9 ESV

4. My Courage Will Always Be Challenged

“When the Philistines heard that David had been anointed king over Israel, all the Philistines went up to search for David. But David heard of it and went down to the stronghold.” 2 Samuel 5:17 ESV

“Now the Philistines had come and spread out in the Valley of Rephaim.” 2 Samuel 5:18 ESV

“And David inquired of the LORD, “Shall I go up against the Philistines? Will you give them into my hand?” And the LORD said to David, “Go up, for I will certainly give the Philistines into your hand.”” 2 Samuel 5:19 ESV

“And David did as the LORD commanded him, and struck down the Philistines from Geba to Gezer.” 2 Samuel 5:25 ESV

Lord will you help me to put you FIRST by having the courage to not believe the lies of fear but to trust you and be courageous?

“And David became greater and greater, for the LORD, the God of hosts, was with him.” 2 Samuel 5:10 ESV

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