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Session

COURAGE: WHO I TRUST

I. Describing Courage

Cowardice ----- Courage ----- Recklessness

Courage is resistance to fear, mastery of fear, not the absence of fear."

—Mark Twain

Many Christians estimate difficulties in the light of their own resources, and thus attempt little and often fail in the little they attempt. All God's giants have been weak men who did great things for God because they reckoned on His power and presence with them.

—Hudson Taylor



THE BIG IDEA

A Rock Solid Man is courageous; he fulfills God's call _____

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II. Courage is _____ in _____.

1. Paul's courage (2 Corinthians 11:24-27)

2. Where does courage come from?

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| 2 Corinthians 1:9-10 | 2 Corinthians 3:12 |
| 2 Corinthians 4:13-17 | 2 Corinthians 5:6-9 |

III. Courage grows as we pursue a goal. (1 Corinthians 4:1-2)

If you aren't doing anything that requires courage, you aren't risking enough for Christ.

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



1. Do you think most men today are courageous? Why or why not?
2. Is it easy for you to trust people? Is it easy for you to trust God? Why or why not?
3. “Courage comes from knowing who’s holding the end of the rope.” Are you facing a situation right now that will require courage? Are there areas where you are playing it too safe? What next step might God want you to take?

THE RIGHT NEXT STEP



Read **2 Corinthians 1:3-11**. In the space provided, write down a key point or insight from the Scripture.

What is the enemy of courage in your life—cowardice, comfort, or control? Give an example.
