



STRENGTHENING OUR GRIP

A study of issues especially relevant to the lives and faith of Christian men

Lesson 7 → Strengthening Our Grip On Courage:

Questions For Class Discussion:

1. Read 1 Corinthians 16:13. What is Paul instructing us to do in this verse? How does he instruct us to do this? How else can we can “quit like men?”

2. What did David expect of Solomon when he told him to “Show yourself a man” (1 Kings 2:1-3)

3. Give an example from the Bible of a man who displayed great strength and courage. How was this strength and courage seen? What gave him the ability to have this strength and courage?

4. Read Joshua 1:1-9 where God calls Joshua to be strong and courageous:
 - a. What is Joshua getting ready to do that he needs strength and courage for?

 - b. What does God instruct Joshua to do that helps him to be strong and courageous?

 - c. How would these things help Joshua be strong and courageous in the years to come?

“Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love.” (I Corinthians 16:13-14)



5. Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, & Azariah are examples of courage in morality & righteousness: (Dan 1:1-7)

a. In Daniel chapter 1, how do they display their courage? What key to their success do we read about in Daniel 1:8?

b. In Daniel 3 how do Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah display courage & strength? Why was it extra difficult to be courageous here? What happened to them as a result of their stand for what's right? What lessons can we learn about courage and strength to apply to our own lives?

c. What stand of strength does Daniel take in Daniel 6? What lessons does his stand here teach us about our own courage and strength to do what's right?

6. Being strong and courageous is not always an easy thing to do. It certainly means being willing to do what is right regardless of what the consequences might be. With each of these areas of our lives, give examples of how we might have to face some consequences in standing for what is right:

a. In Our Homes (Col 3:19-20; Eph 6:4; Prov 22:6)

b. In The Local Church (1 Cor 5:1-12; 3 John 9; 1 John 4:1):

c. On The Job (Prov 16:8; 20:10, 23):

d. In Our Interaction With Others (Rom 12:1-2):

Teach me your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.

Give me not up to the will of my adversaries; for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out violence.

I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living!

**Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!
(Psalm 27:11-14)**

7. Revelation 21:8 is a strong condemnation those who are fearful and cowardly. Why would the fearful and cowardly appear in a list such as this?