



“The King Said YES” Week 2

Some of the biggest moments in life begin with one scary step of **courage**.

Most courageous adults were shaped by courageous **families**.

Not perfect families. Not wealthy families. Not famous families.

Just families that were willing to :

Trust God. Speak up for God. Take the step towards Gods Plan. Walk through the door God opens.

Confidence grows in the presence of **trust**.

Many people never step into God’s opportunities because nobody ever taught them courage.

Main Scripture

Nehemiah 2: 1-8 1Early the following spring, in the month of Nisan,during the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes’ reign, I was serving the king his wine. I had never before appeared sad in his presence. 2So the king asked me, “Why are you looking so sad? You don’t look sick to me. You must be deeply troubled.” Then I was terrified, 3but I replied, “Long live the king! How can I not be sad? For the city where my ancestors are buried is in ruins, and the gates have been destroyed by fire.” 4The king asked, “Well, how can I help you?” With a prayer to the God of heaven, 5I replied, “If it please the king, and if you are pleased with me, your servant, send me to Judah to rebuild the city where my ancestors are buried.” 6The king, with the queen sitting beside him, asked, “How long will you be gone? When will you return?” After I told him how long I would be gone, the king agreed to my request. 7I also said to the king, “If it please the king, let me have letters addressed to the governors of the province west of the Euphrates River, instructing them to let me travel safely through their territories on my way to Judah. 8And please give me a letter addressed to Asaph, the manager of the king’s forest, instructing him to give me timber. I will need it to make beams for the gates of the Temple fortress, for the city walls, and for a house for myself.” And the king granted these requests, because the gracious hand of God was on me.

Because of Nehemiah's courage, **history** changed.

Families prepare kids to recognize and walk through God-given opportunities.

#1 - Parents Teach **Courage**

Proverbs 22:6 - Train up Children in the way they should go.

A fearful home raises fearful kids. But a faith-filled home raises faith-filled kids.

Because courage is not the absence of fear. Courage is trusting God while **afraid**.

#2 - Parents reinforce **Confidence**

Confidence grows through repeated **encouragement**

Esther 4:14 - Mordecai tells Esther: "Who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

#3 - Church Provides Mentors

4There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all. 5There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord. 6God works in different ways, but it is the same God who does the work in all of us. 7A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other.

#4 - Heroes **walk** through open doors.

Your greatest legacy will NOT be money, success, or achievements... It will be raising courageous people who trust GOD.

Family Challenge: At dinner this week, Share the SOAP and what your seeing Nehemiah do, ask them about Nehemiah and what they are seeing Him do, Turn it on you and share what Burden God has given you and what courageous step God is asking you to take... Maybe one that you have taken before... Could you share your "courage moment." Talk about: a time you were afraid, a moment God helped you, or a step of faith you took.

Remember to SIGN up your Student for "Hero Training Camp" by texting the word HERO to 855-398-4752

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