

Through The Bible In One Year

The Adventure of Many Lifetimes

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Theme: Be Strong and Courageous: The Kingdom is Within
Week 15 Small Group Bible Study & Sunday School Lesson

Open (Sharing our Own Stories & Getting To Know One Another)

1. Who are our heroes today? 2. What do we admire in them? 3. What helps someone to be heroic?

Going Deep Into God's Word Together

Read aloud Joshua 1.1-11; Psalm 84.1-12; Luke 17.11-22

Joshua: 1. Why is Joshua willing to lead the Israelites into the "promised land?" What makes us hesitate to follow God's will? 2. Moses prepared Joshua for leadership by teaching him God's laws and commands. Who has prepared you for service to God? Whom are you preparing? 3. God's words make Joshua strong and courageous. What words of God have given you strength or courage?

Psalm: 1. Why does the Psalmist want to be in God's "courts?" 2. Do believers today need to make any pilgrimages? Why or why not? 3. Why does trust in God bring his blessing?

Luke: 1. Why is it significant that it was the Samaritan who thanked Jesus? 2. What keeps believers from giving thanks to God? 3. Jesus tells the Pharisees, "...the kingdom of God is within you." How do believers show this in their lives?

Reflecting On What God Is Telling Us:

1. Where do you need strength and courage in your life? ____ family ____ friends
_____workplace _____community?
2. How can your church family help you grow in those two areas?

Applying/Putting Into Practice What God's Told Us

How will you show your trust in God this week?