



COURAGE

FACING LIONS

Have I not commanded you?

**Be strong
and courageous.**

Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged,
for the Lord your God
will be with you
wherever you go.”

Joshua 1:9

**BIBLE EXPLORATION
BATTALION ADVENTURE CAMP
GRADES 7-12**

WELCOME TO BRIGADE CAMP

AT STONY GLEN

Stony Glen is a place to explore and discover in a new and different environment. There is something special about being in the great outdoors experiencing the adventures of Brigade Camp. It is a chance to gain a new perspective on life. That's true for your approach to Bible study too. Like the great new experiences of camp, here's a chance to look at the Bible in a fresh new way. Allow the truths of the Bible to give you a fresh view of life and its meaning.

DAILY JOURNAL

You'll begin each day with the Morning Devotion. This will be your personal devotion. This is a special time for you to be alone with God. During this time you will begin to discover God's story and your role in it. Don't be afraid to ask God the tough questions that you may have about that day's subject. He gave us a mind to do just that. He wants us to ask Him. Also, write down your questions. You may want to ask your leader these questions.

In the afternoon you will meet with your cabin for a time of Bible Exploration. While it's important to have time alone with God, it's also important to learn from and with each other. As you engage into each day's mission, share your thoughts and questions with the group. You will probably find that others in the group may have similar thoughts and struggles.

Give honest answers and avoid the temptation to say what you think others are expecting to hear. Don't be afraid to express your doubts and questions; that's how a good investigation goes. You must be willing to ask the tough questions and be willing to change your mind when presented with God's truth. Some questions in this Bible Exploration are personal. You don't need to give your answers out loud. Sometimes, though, it's great to share a 'personal' answer. You'll probably find that others in the group feel the same way you do. You might even help somebody in his journey through this adventure we call life.

FACING LIONS - DAY 1

MORNING DEVOTION

Pray: Lord, thank you for this amazing creation you have given us. Forgive us for not being better stewards. Amen

Read: Genesis 3:1-9

The world we live in is not the world God had planned for us. But because of our sins and pride, the world has become a place of danger and evil, where lions prowl looking to feast. These lions come in many forms; they are the trouble that we face everyday and some of those troubles feel like they are going to devour us. Many times, we will come away with scars to show how fierce a battle it was. But is this how it was meant to be.

I was at a funeral recently and heard the pastor discussing death. He made a statement that I have been thinking about for some time now. He said, "Today, we look at death as a natural occurrence; we are born, we live, and we die. But if we really think about death, we realize it is not natural. It does not feel right. There is something really wrong with death. It is not what God had planned."

Today, we will look at how it all started.

Pray in Your Own Words

MEMORY VERSE

"Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat food from it all the days of your life. It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return." - Genesis 3:17-19 NIV

FACING LIONS - DAY 1

BIBLE EXPLORATION

It began in a quiet and peaceful garden.

Most of know the Bible tells us how God created the universe. But let's do a little review.

Day 1 - God created light and separated the light from the darkness, calling light "day" and darkness "night."

Day 2 - God created an expanse to separate the waters and called it "sky."

Day 3 - God created the dry ground and gathered the waters, calling the dry ground "land," and the gathered waters "seas." On day three, God also created vegetation (plants and trees).

Day 4 - God created the sun, moon, and the stars to give light to the earth and to govern and separate the day and the night. These would also serve as signs to mark seasons, days, and years.

Day 5 - God created every living creature of the seas and every winged bird, blessing them to multiply and fill the waters and the sky with life.

Day 6 - God created the animals to fill the earth. On day six, God also created man and woman (Adam and Eve) in his own image to commune with him. He blessed them and gave them every creature and the whole earth to rule over, care for, and cultivate.

Day 7 - God had finished his work of creation and so he rested on the seventh day, blessing it and making it holy.

And God called everything good.

A trickster is revealed

Read: Genesis 3:1-3

What does the serpent say to Eve?

What is Eve's response to the serpent?

Is this what God said?

Read: Genesis 2:15-16

What did God actually say?

Did you notice that God said they could eat from every other tree in the garden?

What did Eve add to God's command?

Why do we always want to have what we are not allowed to have?

Read: Genesis 3:4-6

Did the serpent lie to Eve?

Would they know good and evil?

Would they die? Did they know what dying was?

Where was Adam during this time?

The consequences

Read: Genesis 3:7-13

What was the first thing Adam and Eve realized after eating the fruit?

What did they do when they heard God?

Why?

Who does Adam blame?

Who does Eve blame?

Who are they really blaming?

Isn't that like us to blame others or even God when bad things happen or when we do bad things?

Read: Genesis 3:14-20

What does God say are the consequences for their actions?

What does God mean when He says, "for dust you are and to dust you will return?"

Read: Genesis 3:21-24

What has to happen for God to make garments of skin for Adam and Eve?

The Bible records this as the first time death has happened in all of creation. And now our war with creation has begun.

Pray: Lord, we are so much like Adam and Eve. We are not content with what you give us and we fight with each other to get more. Help us to be more like your son, Jesus Christ, who commanded us to love one another. Amen

FACING LIONS - DAY 2

MORNING DEVOTION

Pray: Lord, help me to understand your will. Give me a heart like David. Give me the courage to face the giants in my life and let you be glorified. Amen

Read: I Samuel 17:20-37

We have all heard the story of David and Goliath in some form or another. But before he faced his giant, David faced lions and bears. Sometimes our lions prepare us for greater battles.

Recently, I was watching the movie, *A Good Lie*. It is the story of a group of children refugees from Sudan. Their parents and brothers and sisters are killed by the Muslim government soldiers. They have to make the long trek through the desert to a refugee camp in Kenya.

Later as young adults, they are relocated to America. One of the young refugees is interacting with some of his new co-workers and they ask him about the scars on his arm. They don't believe him when he tells them the scars are from a lion. He had tried to fight off the lion when it had attacked his brother.

Like the refugee, could David have scars from his battles with the lions? And once you have slain lions, a giant may not seem so big.

Pray in Your Own Words

MEMORY VERSE

O my Strength, I will watch for you, for you, O God, are my fortress. My God in his steadfast love will meet me; God will let me look in triumph on my enemies.

Psalm 59:9-10 ESV

FACING LIONS - DAY 2

BIBLE EXPLORATION

Just a Simple Shepard Boy

Everyday we face lions that look to harm us. Today we will take a closer look at the story of David and Goliath.

Read: I Samuel 17:1-7

Who is the tallest person you know?

It is believed that Goliath was between 8'-5" and 9'-2". Now LeBron James is 6'-8" which puts Goliath about 2 feet taller. He might be a basketball star today.

Goliath's armor weighted about 126 pounds and the tip of his spear was about 15 pounds.

Read: I Samuel 17:8-11

What does Goliath challenge the army of Saul?

What was the reaction of Saul and his army?

Read: I Samuel 17:12-16

Who is David and what did he do?

How long does Goliath challenge Saul's army?

Read: I Samuel 17:17-23

What was David's task?

Read: I Samuel 16:1-13

Who does God choose to be the next king?

Why then is David being a servant to his brothers?

What can we learn from David's example? Is David the first servant leader?

Read: I Samuel 17:24-30

How does David react when he hears Goliath's challenge?

Why is Eliab angry with David?

Read: I Samuel 17:31-37

Does Saul believe David can fight Goliath?

What is David's response in verse 34 and 35?

Many times I have read the story of David and Goliath and never really paid attention to verse 34 and 35. But think about the fact that a boy of about 15 years old is fighting against a lion; maybe a giant is not as scary.

We all have difficulties in life. Unfortunately, we think life should be easy with very little trouble.

Read: I Samuel 17:38-40

What does Saul do for David?

Saul is trying to get David to fight the battle his way.

What does David do? What does David take into battle?

Read: I Samuel 17:41-49

Is Goliath afraid of David?

How does Goliath expect David to fight the battle?

Who does David say he is fighting for?

David is not looking to become famous but to fight for the honor of his God. Who do you honor?

Read: I Samuel 17:50-54

What does David's victory do for the men of Israel and Judah?

Why didn't Saul fight Goliath?

How does David compare with King Saul as a king?

Pray: Lord, help us to seek Your glory like David when we face problems. Help us remember that this is not the world you wanted but you are our fortress. Give us strength and protect us. Amen

FACING LIONS - DAY 3

MORNING DEVOTION

Read: I Peter 5:1-11

“Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.” That verse reminds me of the story of two lions called the Ghost and the Darkness. They prowled around a railroad work camp on the Tsavo River in modern day Kenya. These two lions killed cattle, goats, donkeys, and even the men working on the railroad. They were so feared that the workers believed the two lions were demons sent to stop the railroad.

In February 1898, British Army Lieutenant-Colonel John Henry Patterson was brought in to build the bridge of the Tsavo River. Shortly after his arrival, he discovered the problem with the lions. These lions were so crafty that they evaded Colonel Patterson all the while killing animals and railroad workers. The lions were so bold as to attack the men in the huts and even in the hospital tent.

Finally, in December, Lt. Col. Patterson killed the lions. They were male, probably brothers and maneless (as is common for Tsavo lions). Lt. Col. Patterson believed the lions had killed 135 men; others estimate about 35 during that time period. You can visit the lions today at the Chicago Field Museum of Natural History.

Pray: Lord, give us strength to endure the prowling of the devil. Protect us and let you be glorified. Amen

MEMORY VERSE

“Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.”

I Peter 5:8 ESV

FACING LIONS - DAY 3

BIBLE EXPLORATION

When trouble comes.

Read: Job 1:1-5

Who is Job?

Read: Job 1:6-12

Where was Satan?

What does God say about Job?

What is Satan's response?

What does God give Satan permission to do?

What does God prohibit Satan from doing?

Read: Job 1:13-22

What happens to Job?

What was Job's response?

How would you respond to this?

What do you think about God allowing Satan to harm Job?

Read: Job 2:1-6

Where was Satan?

What does God say about Job?

What is Satan's response?

What does God give Satan permission to do?

What does God prohibit Satan from doing?

Read: Job 2:7-13

What happens to Job?

What was Job's wife's response?

How did Job respond?

How would you respond to this?

What do you think about God allowing Satan to harm Job?

Job goes on to wish that he wasn't even born. To him, it would have been far better if he hadn't.

Job's friends spend most of the rest of the book giving Job bad advice and even blaming Job's sin.

Read: Job 38:1-3

What does God say to Job?

Did you notice he tells Job to “Brace yourself like a man.” What does God mean?

Read: Job 38:4-41

Is there anything that strikes you from these verses?

What do these verses say about God? About Job? About us?

Read: Job 40:1-7

What does Job say to God?

Read: Job 42:1-5

How does Job view God now?

How does Job view himself?

Read: Job 42:7-16

What does God do to Job?

Pray: Lord, give us strength to endure our battles in this world. Give us a heart like Job. May You receive all the glory and honor. Amen

FACING LIONS - DAY 4

MORNING DEVOTION

Read: John 15:18-27

Have you ever heard someone ask, “why do bad things happen to good people?” I have. The question usually comes when someone dies or is very sick. It is a tough question to answer. It is a question that I have asked God. He has never spoken to me directly to answer the question, but I have heard several different answers.

The first answer is “are there really any good people in the world?” When you think about it and we examine ourselves, yes we are all sinners and fall short of what God intended for us.

Second, we are at war with creation. As we explored in Day One’s teaching, creation has been corrupted and because of this, there are lions that we must face on a daily basis.

Third, as Jesus said in this passage, Christians will be persecuted because of Him. Persecution was so bad at times that the Romans would feed the Christians to lions in the Great Coliseum. Today, we will explore the life of a man named Saul who persecuted Christians and had them killed or put in prison.

Pray: Lord, please help those Christians being persecuted today all over the world. Please give them strength. And thank you for the blessings you have given us here in the United States. Amen

MEMORY VERSE

For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

2 Corinthians 12:10 ESV

Central Camp

- 1 Dining Hall
- 2 Water Tower
- 3 Rec Hall
- 4 Gym
- 5 Carl Smith Chapel
- 6 Nurse Dispensary
- 7 Shower House
- 8 Candy Store
- ★ Welcome Center
- Future

Cabins

- 11 Mildon
- 12 Beech
- 13 Hawthorne
- 14 Stoddard
- 15 Crusader
- 16 Walnut
- 17 Hickory
- 18 Juniper
- 19 Maple
- 20 Cherry
- 21 Willow
- 22 Don's Place
- 23 Sam Gray Lodge
- 24 Pine
- 25 Bob & Connie Patrick Memorial Cabin

Activity Areas

- 40 Playground Area
- 41 Parade Field
- 42 Tennis Court
- 43 Volleyball Court
- 44 Soccer Field
- 45 Swimming Area
- 46 Boat House
- 47 Canoe Docks
- 48 Footprints Pavilion
- 49 Archery Range
- 50 Rifle Range
- 51 Horse Stables
- 52 Coral
- 53 Back 40

Scenic Spots

- Scenic Glen
- 60 Small Falls
- 61 Middle Falls
- 62 Big Falls
- 63 Historic Milner Cabin
- 64 Tree House
- 65 Cathedral Falls
- 66 Border Falls

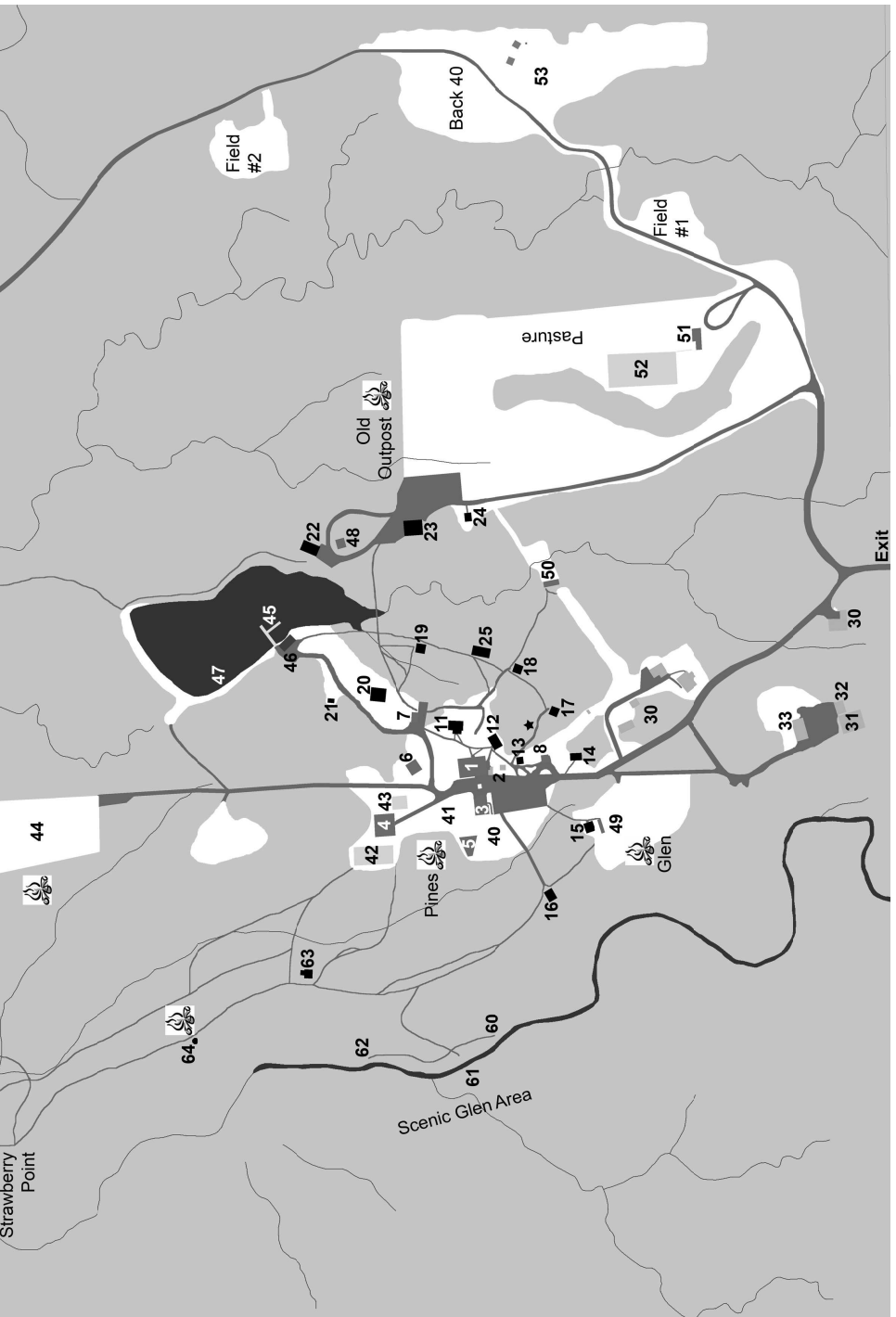
Restrooms

- 1 Dining Hall
- 3 Rec Hall
- 6 Nurse Dispensary
- 7 Shower House
- 23 Sam Gray Lodge

Staff Areas

- Off-limits**
- 30 Staff Housing
- 31 Maintenance Barn
- 32 Wood Shop
- 33 Vehicle Barn





FACING LIONS - DAY 4

BIBLE EXPLORATION

A man named Saul

We start our story in the Book of Acts. Jesus has been crucified, has died, and has risen from the dead. Jesus' followers saw him, touched him, spoke with him, and ate with him. He then was taken up to heaven to be with His Father.

Not long after Jesus' ascension, the Holy Spirit entered into Jesus' followers. They began preaching in the streets and thousands of people began believing in Jesus as their Savior.

The Jews were not happy about these conversions and began persecuting the Christians. One of those that was persecuted was a man named Stephen. He had just finished speaking to the Sanhedrin.

Read: Acts 7:54-8:3

Who was holding the people's garments?

Why do you think he was holding the garments and not participating?

After Stephen calls out, why do you think the verse says, "he fell asleep?"

What did Saul do to the church?

Read: Acts 9:1-9

Why was Saul heading to Damascus?

Who spoke to Saul?

What happened to Saul?

Read: Acts 9:10-19

What was Ananias' reaction to the Lord's request?

How would you have reacted?

Why does the Lord want Ananias to meet Saul? Who are the Gentiles?

What does the Lord say will happen to Saul?

What happens to Saul's eyes?

Read: Acts 9:20-25

What does Saul do while he is in Damascus?

What was the reaction to Saul's teaching?

Read: Acts 9:26-31

What happened when Saul went back to Jerusalem?

Read: Acts 13:1-12

What is Saul's other name?

Before these verses Paul was known as Saul and was considered second to others in his group. After this, Paul becomes the primary.

Do you remember what the Lord said back in Acts 9? If you don't go back to Acts 9:16.

Read: 2 Corinthians 11:24-29

What happened to Paul during his time serving the Lord?

Does Paul sound angry that he had difficult times?

How should we react to difficult times?

Read: Colossians 1:24-29

What did Paul rejoice in?

Ultimately, Paul was taken to Rome and died for what he believed. Tradition has Paul being beheaded by the Romans.

Life is hard and difficult. We face lions on a daily basis and some of those are strong enough to harm us, maybe kill us. We need to remember that we will have problems, but God is faithful. Like Paul we need to rejoice. It is all in our mindset, but it is not easy to change our mindset. For some, facing a lion is an adventure.

Pray: Lord, we don't always face difficulties with the right attitude. Help us to see troubles as potential adventures. And thank You, God, that You are always with us. Amen

FACING LIONS - DAY 5

MORNING DEVOTION

Read: Joshua 1:1-9

A friend encouraged me to read the book *Crazy Love* by Francis Chan. Well, I'm always a little hesitant to read a book with the word love in it. Why? Because most book that have the word love in the title want me to get in touch with my feelings. But the title did have the word crazy in it. Now that sounds like a guy word.

When I opened the book, I saw the chapter heading and read the one for chapter 2, "You might not finish this chapter." Really, who names a chapter that? I thought the book must have some tough things to say, and I just might not want to read the rest of it. So, I had to jump right to it first and read it. The first sentence of the chapter said, " You could die before you finish reading this chapter." Wow. I was not ready for that one.

This started me thinking about how valuable life is and what am I doing with it. If I died today, what impact did I have on those around me.

Sometimes, just living and doing what is right requires the greatest courage. Jesus summarized what doing the right thing is in Matthew 23:37-39. "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" Are we strong and courageous enough to face that lion, the Lion of Judah?

Pray in Your Own Words

MEMORY VERSE

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

Joshua 1:9 NIV

FACING LIONS - DAY 5

BIBLE EXPLORATION

Do you have what it takes?

Read: Matthew 25:14-30

What did the master say to the servants that used their talents well?

What did the master say to the servant that buried his talent?

If God is the master in the story and you are the servant, how are you using your talents? Are you burying them?

Why did the servant say he buried his talent?

It takes courage to use our talents.

Have you ever been made fun of for using your talents?

Or a tougher question, have you ever made fun of someone for using their talent? Why?

Read: 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Are you building others up? Or do you prefer to tear others down?

Do you have the courage to put others first?

Just do it!

The Communist soldiers had discovered their illegal Bible study.

As the pastor was reading from the Bible, men with guns suddenly broke into the home, terrorizing the believers who had gathered there to worship. The Communists shouted insults and threatened to kill the Christians. The leading officer pointed his gun at the pastor's head. "Hand me your Bible," he demanded. Reluctantly, the pastor handed over his Bible, his prized possession. With a sneer on his face, the guard threw the Word of God on the floor at his feet.

He glared at the small congregation. "We will let you go," he growled, "but first, you must spit on this book of lies. Anyone who refuses will be shot." The believers had no choice but to obey the officer's order. A soldier pointed his gun at one of the men. "You first."

The man slowly got up and knelt down by the Bible. Reluctantly, he spit on it, praying, "Father, please forgive me." He stood up and walked to the door. The soldiers stood back and allowed him to leave. "Okay, you!" the soldier said, nudging a woman forward. In tears, she could barely do what the soldier demanded. She spit only a little, but it was enough. She too was allowed to leave.

Quietly, a sixteen-year-old girl came forward. Overcome with love for her Lord, she knelt down and picked up the Bible. She wiped off the spit with her dress. "What have they done to Your Word? Please forgive them," she prayed.

The Communist soldier put his pistol to her head. Then he pulled the trigger.

Jesus Freaks, by dc Talk and The Voice of the Martyrs

Read: Matthew 10:32-33

What is your faith in? What are you willing to die for?

Read: Revelation 5:1-5

Why did John weep?

Who was able to open the scroll?

Who is this Lion of Judah?

If the Great Lion of Judah is Jesus the Christ, then _____.

Read: Romans 8:31

So, if God is on our side?

Read: Philippians 4:13

And through him you can do what?

Read: Joshua 24:15

So, who are you going to choose?

Read: The Prayer of Sir Francis Drake on page 25

I pray that the Lord would disturb you into the courage to face the lions of life; not from the safety of your home, but in going out your front door, so that you will truly know Him and trust Him. He is our great Lion.

Pray in Your Own Words

FACING LIONS - DAY 6

MORNING DEVOTION

Read: Proverbs 4:20-27

Life is hard no matter where we live. Everyone has his own problems.

As you leave today to go home, remember the verses above and read your Bible. If you don't have one, please let your leader know. We will find a way to get you one.

Remember this:

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Matthew 23:37-39 "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"

Romans 8:31 What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

Joshua 1:9 "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

Psalms 59:9-10 O my Strength, I will watch for you, for you, O God, are my fortress. My God in his steadfast love will meet me; God will let me look in triumph on my enemies.

Pray for those you know that are facing lions. Pray for them to be STRONG and COURAGOUS.

RESOURCES

Books Used to Create this Study

Killing Lions: A Guide Through the Trials Young Men Face

John Eldredge

www.ransomedheart.com

Wild at Heart

John Eldredge

www.ransomedheart.com

Crazy Love: Overwhelmed by a Relentless God

Frances Chan

www.crazylovebook.com

Mere Christianity

C.S. Lewis

The Case for Christianity

C.S. Lewis

Trilogy

Dr. Francis Schaeffer

RESOURCES

The Prayer of Sir Francis Drake, 1577

Disturb us, Lord, when
We are too pleased with ourselves,
When our dreams have come true
Because we dreamed too little,
When we arrived safely
Because we sailed too close to the shore.

Disturb us, Lord, when with
the abundance of things we possess
We have lost our thirst
For the waters of life;
Having fallen in love with life,
We have ceased to dream of eternity
And in our efforts to build a new earth,
We have allowed our vision
Of the new Heaven to dim.

Disturb us, Lord, to dare more boldly,
To venture on wilder seas
Where storms will show Your mastery;
Where losing sight of land,
We shall find the stars.

We ask you to push back
The horizons of our hopes;
And to push back the future
In strength, courage, hope, and love.

This we ask in the name of our Captain,
Who is Jesus Christ.

Sir Francis Drake, an adventurer and essentially a legal pirate, wrote this prayer as he departed Portsmouth on the Golden Hind to raid Spanish gold on the west coast of South America. He ventured at least as far north as the non-Spanish parts of California, claiming it as "New Albion" - New England- and returned to his Queen (the long way - via circumnavigation) with loot worth over a half million pounds sterling, and received his Knighthood for it.

RESOURCES

The Charge of the Light Brigade

By Lord Alfred Tennyson

I

Half a league, half a league,
Half a league onward,
All in the valley of Death
Rode the six hundred.
“Forward, the Light Brigade!
Charge for the guns!” he said.
Into the valley of Death
Rode the six hundred.

II

“Forward, the Light Brigade!”
Was there a man dismayed?
Not though the soldier knew
Someone had blundered.
Theirs not to make reply,
Theirs not to reason why,
Theirs but to do and die.
Into the valley of Death
Rode the six hundred.

III

Cannon to right of them,
Cannon to left of them,
Cannon in front of them
Volleyed and thundered;
Stormed at with shot and shell,
Boldly they rode and well,
Into the jaws of Death,
Into the mouth of hell
Rode the six hundred.

RESOURCES

IV

Flashed all their sabres bare,
Flashed as they turned in air
Sabring the gunners there,
Charging an army, while
All the world wondered.
Plunged in the battery-smoke
Right through the line they broke;
Cossack and Russian
Reeled from the sabre stroke
Shattered and sundered.
Then they rode back, but not
Not the six hundred.

V

Cannon to right of them,
Cannon to left of them,
Cannon behind them
Volleyed and thundered;
Stormed at with shot and shell,
While horse and hero fell.
They that had fought so well
Came through the jaws of Death,
Back from the mouth of hell,
All that was left of them,
Left of six hundred.

VI

When can their glory fade?
O the wild charge they made!
All the world wondered.
Honour the charge they made!
Honour the Light Brigade,
Noble six hundred!

God's Plan of Salvation

What is God Like

God made you and loves you. He wants you to be His child. But God is perfect and holy. He hates sin and can't even look at it.

What Are We Like

Here's the problem - all of us have sinned. We have all done many wrong things. Sin separates us from God and sin must be punished. "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23)

God's Solution

What's the solution? God loved you so much that He gave His only Son, Jesus, to take the punishment for your sin. Instead of punishing you, God punished Jesus. "For God so loved the world, that He gave its only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16) "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Romans 6:23)

Your Part

What do you have to do? Jesus' death allows you to be friends with God. Here is what you have to do:

1. Believe Jesus died for you personally.
2. Tell Jesus you are sorry for the sin in your life and want to be changed.
3. Ask Jesus to take away your sins and to direct your life.

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. (Romans 10:9)

When you give your life to Jesus, you become His child and belong to His family! Wow! What could be better?

WHAT IS CHRISTIAN SERVICE BRIGADE and Who is CSB Ministries?

Our Mission: Christian Service Brigade is part of CSB Ministries headquartered in Wheaton, Illinois. We have representatives located throughout the U.S. and Canada. We provide weekly programs that enable men to guide groups of boys and young men through adventure-packed, action-filled experiences that grow young people closer to God... and equip them to be our leaders of tomorrow.

Partners: CSB Ministries offers programs and resources for evangelical churches. CSB serves these churches through training leaders and providing ministry tools that equip men and women to serve Christ.

Ministries:

Tadpoles/Tree Climbers: For boys (ages 4-7), Pre-K through 2nd Grade
At Tadpoles/Tree Climbers, young boys spend quality time with their dads and other adult Christian men. Together, men and kids have fun, learn about God's creation, and grow closer to God and each other.

Games, projects, adventures and snacks are centered around a weekly theme and Bible verse. Young boys flourish with the one-on-one time with godly men.

Stockade: Boys (ages 8-11), 3rd - 6th Grades
Stockade is a weekly opportunity for guys to spend time with guys. Adult Christian men serve as their role models, and demonstrate Christian Manhood in action and attitude.

Through physical and mental activities, fun, service, achievement and Bible stories, boys develop the foundations of godly character and leadership skills.

Battalion: Young men (ages 12 - 18) 7th - 12th Grades
In CSB's hallmark program, Battalion, adult Christian men disciple teenage boys. Young men grow through physically and mentally challenging activities, Bible studies, service projects and personal hands-on leadership experiences.

Action time, game time, achievement challenges, small group meetings, council rings, adventure outings, and competitions allow young men to gain practical life skills, learn cooperation, develop teamwork - and become leaders of tomorrow.

GEMS: For girls 1st - 12th Grades
CSB Ministries also partners with GEMS girls' programs to enable women to guide groups of girls through adventure-packed, action-filled experiences to help them grow closer to God and equip them to be our leaders of tomorrow.

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