



\**The one page for every age*

## D6 Family Theme: COURAGE

The Point: **Courage and faith go hand-in-hand.**

### Listen to God: Read Numbers 13:26-14:10

After covering hundreds of miles, the spies gave their report to the community. They agreed that the land was a wonderful place, flowing with milk and honey, and producing great fruit. They should have stopped the report there because they went on to scare the people with reports of the size and strength of the people who lived there. Caleb did not overlook the danger, but he saw beyond it to the promises of God (13:30). The others caved in to fear but Caleb showed his courage.

READ

PRAY

### Talk to God

It's often human nature to complain or adopt a "woe is me" attitude rather than show courage or willingness to do something difficult. Courage and faith go hand-in-hand so we need to exercise our faith more in these situations. Lead your family in a time of prayer, asking the Lord to increase your faith, which will increase your courage.

DO

### Walk With God

**Option 1:** Many Christians around the world are courageously braving dangerous situations. As a family, take on a project to encourage these individuals. Pack a large shoebox with goodies, encouraging cards, and other helpful items to send to a missionary family. Contact organizations to learn about specific areas of need. Visit <http://www.persecution.com/colombia> for another

idea on helping persecuted Christians. Pray each day for specific people in different countries. Remind your family of the truth in Joshua 1:9.

**Option 2:** It is very important to talk to your kids about your own struggles with hard situations. Hearing your story can actually be one way to give them courage. (If my dad was afraid on his first day of school and he made it, so can I.) Write the following situations on slips of paper (first day of school, spending the night away from home, a bad storm, facing a bully, getting lost from a parent, facing peer pressure, standing for what is right, or others you think of). Allow each family member to choose a question from the pile. Ask the following questions: *How would you feel in this situation? What could you do so you could face this situation with courage?* Continue letting each person pick a slip of paper and brainstorm ideas about what to do in each situation.



# This week in D6 Curriculum



## Infant/Toddler

Your child was introduced to the Heartprint: **God Gives Us Special Friends.** The Parent Page should have come home with your child. It gives you general guidelines to help you recognize and understand developmental milestones your child should reach.



## Preschool

Today your child was introduced to this month's Heartprint: **God Provides for Us.** He or she learned how God helped the Israelites escape from Egypt. He used a pillar of cloud and fire to guide them. God provided for the Israelites, and He will provide for us too. Use the *Take 'n Talk* as a reinforcement and review of the lesson.



## Early Elementary

The D6 Family Link Three should have come home with your student. Your student learned Moses sent 12 spies into Canaan to check out the land. Ten of the spies reported having doubts about entering the land. Caleb and Joshua, however, trusted God's plan and voiced their courage about going. He or she learned about the consequences of the people who didn't trust God and His blessings on Caleb and Joshua and their families. Help your student learn the fifth and sixth commandments. Use the activities found in the Family Link as a tool to help your student apply the lessons learned at church to his or her life.



## Upper Elementary

A copy of D6 Family Link Three should have come home with your student. Your student learned about the importance of courage and standing up for what is right. Moses sent 12 spies into Canaan to check out the land. Ten of the spies reported having doubts about entering the land. Caleb and Joshua, however, trusted God and voiced their courage about going. The ten who didn't trust God suffered sad consequences; Caleb, Joshua, and their families were blessed.