

Courageous

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Integrity: being true, morally upright and authentic.

"Brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things."

PHILIPPIANS 4:8

We will face moral dilemmas in life and work. Will we choose to lie to cover things up and live less than true to our integrity?

Moral Journey - 5 Key Points

- Integrity matters being true
- Integrity starts in your heart and home, then moves to your work and world
- Integrity requires a goal/focus and a choice/discipline
- Integrity isn't achieved without challenge and sacrifice
- Integrity is strengthened by shared covenant with a team

"Iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another." *PROVERBS 27:17*

None of this happens without courage.

God tells Joshua, "As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you."

JOSHUA 1:5

"Be strong and courageous...Be strong and very courageous...Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified. Do not be discouraged...Be strong and courageous."

JOSHUA 1:6, 7, 9, 18

Every man/woman must deal with fear to find their future.

There will be threats – giants in the land, the voice of fear within, challenging circumstances, walls and weapons of the enemy, deception, distraction and misdirection – along the way.



It takes guts to be a man/woman of integrity in this world.

"The film's desire is for men to leave the theater making the decision that Joshua made when he said, 'as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

JOSHUA 24:15

Where is God calling you to be a better person? To have integrity in your heart, in your home, with your family and with your kids?

Following Christ is a daily commitment.

Jesus' integrity, focus, choices and sacrifice brought us life and hope. Be courageous!

