

Courage Season 1, Episode 6



*“The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting.
It has been found difficult; and left untried.”
(G. K. Chesterton).*

*“A man does what he must – in spite of personal consequences,
in spite of obstacles and dangers, and pressures –
and that is the basis of all human morality.”
(John F. Kennedy, Profiles in Courage)*

MAKING CONNECTIONS

Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the LORD (Psalms 31:24, NRSV).

Dr. Tillman poses these questions for further reflection in the chapter, Courage, in his book, Christian Ethics, A Triadic Approach. You can find the chapter [here](#).

Where have you seen acts of courage-single parents, health care persons, supervisors who stuck their necks out for the sake of the group?

Have you ever had someone thank you for an act of courage, and you were relatively surprised that you had considered you'd done something courageously?

What are some courageous things happening that go relatively unnoticed, but quite possibly lives are being transformed for the long term?

Dr. Tillman and Dr. Morgan considered courage using Jeremiah as a model. What other biblical examples can you give? How would you define courage using biblical examples, now?

What does Lewis Smedes' statement "Be courageous, with prudence," mean to you? Do you have any examples of it being acted out?



*“God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,
courage to change the things I can,
and wisdom to know the difference.”
(Reinhold Niebuhr)*

*“Be courageous, but with prudence!”
(Lewis Smedes)*