

**Optional Homework for Next Class:** (choose one assignment to complete)

- With your spouse or another member talk about what courage and faith mean to you. Why are courage and faith so important for godly leaders?
- Write a brief essay on the meaning of courage and faith, for leaders in God's Church.
- Discuss several biblical figures and how God used them because of their courage and faith.

**Quotes About Character** (Handout 2)

- *Let us indulge with caution the supposition that morality can be maintained without religion. Reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principles.*  
—George Washington
- *Right is right, even if everyone is against it; wrong is wrong, even if everyone is for it.*  
—William Penn
- *America is great because America is good. If America ceases to be good it will cease to be great.*  
—Alexis de Tocqueville
- *Christians must develop the righteous character to choose the right way, and resist the wrong—to discipline the self in the way he ought to go, instead of the way of self-desire and vanity.*  
—Herbert W. Armstrong
- *We must never delude ourselves into thinking that physical power is a substitute for moral power, which is the true sign of national greatness.*  
—Adlai Stevenson
- *Only through His strength may we truly overcome and grow spiritually to the **high spiritual level** that God wants...*  
—Roderick C. Meredith
- *The supreme quality of leadership is unquestionable integrity.*  
—Dwight Eisenhower
- *No matter how brilliant a man may be, he will never engender confidence in his subordinates and associates if he lacks simple honesty and moral courage.*  
—J.L. Collins
- *Character cannot be developed in ease and quiet. Only through experience of trial and suffering can the soul be strengthened, vision cleared, ambition inspired and success achieved.*  
—Helen Keller
- *Listen to a man's words and look into his eyes. How can a man conceal his character?*  
—Mencius, 300BC
- *As he [a person] thinks in his heart, so he is.*  
—King Solomon (Prov 23:7)
- *No one can be a legitimate Christian leader who does not have tested and proven Christian Character.*  
—Bill Lawrence