

The Courage of Others



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This time of year stirs my heart to be thankful but it also compels me to be courageous like the ones who came before me.

The thought of starting a whole new life may sound exciting on a Monday if you don't love your job or current situation. Actually putting feet to it is a completely different thing!

The Israelites stood on the outskirts of the Promised Land (see Numbers 13). They had dreamed of it, hoped for it and ached for it in their hearts. But, when push came to shove, there were giants and gigantic obstacles that seemed insurmountable. Of twelve leaders

who spied out the land, Joshua and Caleb were the only two who believed they could do it. The other ten spread bad reports among the people. Ultimately, they were too afraid and stayed where they were.

Born into slavery in Maryland, Minty Ross dreamed of freedom. She made up her mind that she would be free or die. Some told her she wouldn't/couldn't make it, but she did. After a miraculous journey alone, Minty arrived in Philadelphia. She changed her name to Harriet Tubman and was determined to help others gain their freedom. And she did! In the movie Harriet,

a preacher told her as she embarked on her journey, "Fear is your enemy. Trust in God." And she did!

Christians these days talk about "getting out of the boat" like Peter did in Matthew 14, but surely the most courageous thing in 1620 was getting ON THE BOAT! Pilgrim men and women packing up all earthly goods and children without electronics-to begin a new life took more guts than I can imagine! A 66 day trip across the ocean? Holy Moley!

I want to be courageous like Joshua and Caleb, believing God CAN and WILL guide and protect! I'm not Harriet,

but I want to lead people to freedom-not to Canada, but the life-saving freedom that only Christ can give! While I don't want to don a Pilgrim dress or hat, I want to be a woman of courage putting my faith where my mouth is, facing giants like they did! I want to boldly go where no man or woman has gone before, if that's where God leads.

Hebrews 10:39 sounds like the marching orders for all these brave souls who came before me: "We are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who believe and are saved." May they be mine also!

Church News

Mail announcements to The Estill Tribune, 6135 Winchester Road, Irvine, KY 40336 Call (606) 723-5012; Fax to (606) 723-2743; or E-mail it to <News@EstillTribune.Com>

Saturday, November 30th at 7pm

Church Services at New Bethel #2

New Bethel Baptist Church #2 on Barnes Mountain in Irvine, will be having church services this coming Saturday evening, November 30, 2019, starting at 7:00 p.m. Bro. Sam Miller will be bringing the message. Pastor Bro. Billy Durbin and congregation welcome everyone.

Saturday, December 7th - 7:30am-1pm

Basement Sale at St. Elizabeth

There will be a basement sale at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, 322 5th Street in Ravenna, on Saturday, December 7, 2019 from 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There will be lots of good clothes, Christmas clothes and other holiday items sheets, glassware, books, toys and so much more. Everyone is welcome!

Saturday, December 7th at 5pm

Christmas on Glory Street Concert

Come, join us for a night of fun, food, and fellowship on Saturday night, December 7th as The Calvary Heirs present their annual "Christmas on Glory Street" benefit concert at Calvary Baptist Church. Preceding the concert, a Chili Supper will be held in the Fellowship Hall. The Chili Supper begins at 5:00 p.m. The Concert begins at 6:30 p.m. Donations will be accepted for the supper and a Love Offering will be taken during the concert. This year ALL proceeds from this event will go to Calvary's FUSION Youth Group to help send teens to Church Camp this summer. Calvary Baptist is located at 21 Glory Street in West Irvine, Kentucky.

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

PSALM 98:1-2

Sing to the **LORD** a **new song**, for he has **done marvelous things**; his **right hand** and his **holy arm** have **worked salvation** for **him**. The **LORD has made his salvation known** and **revealed** his righteousness to the **nations**.

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Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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Once Upon A Time I Bought A Pair of Pants

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Some years back, I went to a store in a mall to find a pair of pants. When I began my search, I found that there were many places that offered pants for sale. Finally, choosing one, I went in and was directed by a salesperson just where to search. Then, having found a stack of pants that suited my taste, I began to look for the label that was supposed to offer sound information regarding the size of my waist plus the length of the leg. Then, following the information given on the label, I took for granted that I had made the right choice, and having paid the price, I was now the owner of a brand new pair of pants. And to add, I felt good at the choice I made.

Then, upon returning home and attempting to try out my purchase, I began to be disillusioned because one leg was an inch shorter than the other. Then, I thought, 'Well, maybe I can adjust the fit by cutting off the longer leg.' But, before I could do it, I will look at the rest of the amenities offered by the ad. Then, alas! I noticed that the clasp needed to secure them was missing and that the zipper only came up half way. So, by this time, I was really examining my purchase even closer. Then I noticed that one of the hip pockets was sewn down on the area of my thigh. Then, trying my hands within the pockets, I found that one was sewn up near the top that even my keys would not be safe therein. But, this was not all that was wrong; the waist area only had three belt loops on it.

So, by this time, you can see my frustration with my purchase. So, off to the mall I went, seeking the return and customer complaint area. Having finally found a person who would listen to my complaint, he took the pants to observe them; and then he said, 'I can't see anything wrong with them yet. They have two legs, yes, one a little shorter, but you do have two of them.' Then, looking at the pockets, he replied, 'Well, you do have four of them, maybe one is a little out of place and one is not deep enough, but you still have four of them.' Then, he said of the clasp, 'Well, we can replace that very easily with a substitute.' When I mentioned the missing belt loops, he said, 'They should be adequate. Just how many do you think you need anyway?' Then I complained, 'What about the zipper that only comes part way up?' Then, he said, 'That is no problem. Just fold your coat over it and look straight ahead and smile a lot.'

So, by now you can see the humor in a story like this. But, then, I began to think, 'What is the message here when I relate this unto the religions of the world?' Like the mall, our nation has to offer many supposed place of worship with just as many plans to suit your taste. Like the pants, some may offer a shorter way to salvation and Heaven, and others may have a longer plan. Then, like the pants pocket being out of alignment, many religious offerings have the plan of redemption out of alignment as well. And the pocket that was sewn in too short, it was useless in its pretense... Then the belt that was the support of the pants could not do its job because too many loops were missing.

So, just as our Lord had designed and built his church with the proper label (his church) along with all the infrastructure, we need to be complete (the Bible). We have a label that can be trusted or relied upon to furnish us with a cloak of righteousness. Nothing will be out of alignment or anything missing that we need to get us to Heaven if we will be obedient until we die. (Hebrews 5:8-9)

So, just as many that purchase faulty merchandise, we can also, upon examination, using the divine label (the Bible), easily spot the flaws and reject them. 2 Corinthians 11:5 tells us to do this very thing.

So, no one that I know of would be caught dead in a pair of trousers like these I mentioned. But many may be caught dead in their trespasses and sins if they are not clothed with Christ in baptism for the remission of sins. Read Galatians 3:26-28, see if I tell the truth.

Sincerely, Bob Casey, (1-859-369-4165), local

THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

COLOSSIANS 3:15



Detail from "Prayer before the Meal" by Adriaen Jansz. van Ostade (1653)

Interstate Rig

CHORUS:

I've got an interstate rig, loaded to the maximum pound;
I've got an interstate rig, that won't stay behind a Greyhound.
State after state, over concrete ribbon I go,
I've got a coast-to-coast run, and I sure don't want to be slow.

From the Eastern Seaboard, over to the Golden Gate,
The clock keeps ticking -- keeps saying don't be late.
I would sure like to rest in Tucson, for a day or two,
But I've got a coast-to-coast load -- that will have to go on thru.

I've got a wife at home, she needs to see more of me,
And with our four kids, she could use more time that is free.
But if all of our bills, we are going to pay,
Well, I'll see less home cooking -- because I'm on the road to stay.

Hey, I know one thing -- I'm going to be hard to beat,
If the engine keeps purrin', and I stay awake in my seat.
Move over folks, please keep the left lane clear,
This rig is on schedule, and I don't want to slow down here.

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Seeds of Hope



An attitude of gratitude is always obvious. If we are grateful for what God has done for us and given to us, others will see our appreciation of it in everything we do. David gave us a fourfold formula to follow.

"I will thank You Lord, with all my heart." The thanksgiving he describes is total and consumes all of his being - his entire self. The word he used for heart would include his consciousness of God's presence, his memory of God's goodness and his awareness of God's grace. He worshiped God with excitement, enthusiasm and expectation.

"I will tell all of the marvelous things You have done." Marvelous comes from a word that means

"extraordinary, not to be surpassed by anyone and wonderful!" He is so overwhelmed by God's blessings on his life that he wants everyone to hear about it.

"I will be filled with joy!" Joy is the natural state of the one who trusts in the Lord. Knowing that "all things work together for our good" should cause His joy to radiate from our hearts into our heads and out through our hands. Everything we do should be done with a smile on our face and gladness in our eyes.

"I will sing praises to Your name, O Most High." Notice that there is only one letter different between the word "sin" and "sing" - the letter "g" - that stands for God. When we give up sin for the Savior, God gives us a new song to sing. It is a song about the Savior who loves us, gave Himself for us, is present in us and cares for us.

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Thanksgiving



1. Is the book of 1 Thesalonians in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. From Genesis 38, who was the first individual killed by God for being wicked? No one has, Er, Onan, Gomorrah

3. How long had the woman been sick that touched the hem of Jesus'

garment? 1 hour, 5 days, 6 months, 12 years

4. From 1 Kings 6, who constructed the first altar covered with gold? Gideon, Josiah, Noah, Solomon

5. The year of jubilee (jubilee) comes around every ... year? Fifth, 25th, 50th, 100th

6. Which king ordered Daniel into the lions' den? Darius, Eglon, Herod, Caesar

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