



Raising Champion Heroes: Equipping Believers to Overcome Life's Spiritual Battles

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STUDY GUIDE

Session Overview: God is raising a generation of champions who refuse to be defined by their valleys. In this message, you will discover how Jesus turns valleys of trouble into doors of hope, transforms battles into breakthroughs, and uses adversity to shape ordinary believers into extraordinary heroes. Learn how to overcome fear, embrace God's presence in every trial, and recognize that the very giant standing before you may be the pathway to your greatest promotion and destiny.

Are you in a battle today? That battle may be evidence that you were created for breakthrough.

If you could pass one thing along to the next generation (not including salvation) what would it be?

One of the greatest gifts we can possess—and pass on to those we love—is the ability to obtain and maintain the hope-filled attitude of an overcomer in every circumstance. This is the place where Champion Heroes Arise!

Hosea 2:15 AMP "I will...give the Valley of Achor for a door of hope and expectation."

The word *Achor* means trouble, disturbance, affliction, or calamity.

In the valley God can turn:

- Trouble into triumph
- Trauma into testimony

- Calamity into conquest
- Darkness into a door
- Despair into destiny

It can turn your hurt, heartbreak and hardship into the training ground of Heroes!!!

Isaiah 65:10 says “.....And the Valley of Achor a place for herds to lie down, For My people who have sought Me.”

The Champion Hero David and the valley of Elah....

For David - Goliath became the pathway for his promotion!

Hope Filled Battles produce Faith Filled Victories

Personal Testimony...

OUR HOPE HAS ALWAYS BEEN FOUND IN JESUS!

“I have told you these things, so that in Me you may have [perfect] peace and confidence. In the world you have tribulation and trials and distress and frustration; but be of good cheer [take courage; be confident, certain, undaunted]! For I have overcome the world. [I have deprived it of power to harm you and have conquered it for you.]” (John 16:33 AMP)

Our hope is not that we avoid valleys, but that Jesus has already conquered everything that threatens us.

1. The Valley is Part of Everyone’s Spiritual Journey

The Lord once spoke to me: “Tell My people, I am anointing you to ascend the mountain of the Lord, but you must also learn to establish victory in the valley.”

In Scripture, valleys represent:

- Trials and testing
- Sorrow, disappointment, and grief
- Places where our faith and obedience are examined
- Battles and spiritual warfare - every battle with giants took place in a valley

Moses and Joshua - fought the Amalekites in the Valley of Rephidim
Israel fought the sons of Anak, giants, in the valley of Hebron
David fought Goliath in the valley of Elah
Elijah pronounced judgment on Ahab and Jezebel in the valley of Jezreel
Judah fought Philistine giants in the valley of Rephaim - valley of giants
many others....

Even Jesus had to cross the Kidron Valley - a place associated with mourning - to pray in Gethsemane before his death.

A spiritual valley is where we discover whether we really believe what we believe we believe.

Psalm 23:4 — Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil for you are with me; your rod and your staff they comfort me.

But valleys are also places of great blessings!

- Fruit grows in valleys.
- Rivers flow through valleys.
- Testimonies are born in valleys
- Dry bones receive resurrection life in valleys.
- Armies arise in valleys.

If we do not learn to overcome in the valley, we will never possess the mountaintop.

2. Champion Heroes Are Formed in the Valley

I heard someone once say: “Heroes are not born, they are cornered.”

Heroes are ordinary people who did extraordinary things because they believed God in challenging situations.

Hebrews 11:32–38 — The time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented—of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth.

Heroes are not people who never feel fear.

Heroes are people who choose faith and obedience in the face of fear.

Moses was a Hesitant Hero—he felt unqualified.

Gideon was a Reluctant Warrior—he felt insignificant.

Esther was a Cautious Queen—she felt afraid.

David was an Underdog Champion—he looked outmatched.

But they all showed up!

I once had a dream with different biblical scenes of miracles...after each scene God would say:
“If you will show up, I will show off.”

Heroes are formed when ordinary people partner with an extraordinary God.

- For David, Goliath was the pathway to his promotion.
- For Joseph, the prison became the passageway to the palace.
- For Moses, the wilderness became the classroom for leadership.
- For Joshua, the Jordan became the doorway to the Promised Land.
- For Gideon, a winepress became the birthplace of a mighty warrior.
- For Hannah, barrenness became the backdrop for a prophet's birth.
- For Esther, the threat of genocide became the platform for national deliverance.
- For Mordecai, the gallows built for his death became the instrument of his enemy's downfall.
- For Daniel, the lions' den became the stage for God's glory.
- For the three Hebrew men, the fiery furnace became the place of God's presence.
- For Nehemiah, broken walls became the catalyst for national restoration.
- For Peter, an empty fishing net became the beginning of an apostolic calling.
- For the lame man at the Beautiful Gate, lifelong limitation became the doorway to supernatural transformation.
- For Paul, a prison cell became a pulpit to the nations.
- For Jesus, the cross became the pathway to the crown.
- For the Church, Pentecost became the launchpad for global revival.

3. Our God Is the Champion Hero

Isaiah 9:6 calls Jesus “Mighty God.”

The Hebrew word translated *mighty* is *gibbor*, meaning:

- Champion
- Hero
- Warrior

- Valiant one
- Strong and mighty man

God is not asking us to become heroes in our own strength. He is our Champion Hero, and His Spirit lives within us.

Jesus has already defeated sin, death, hell, and the power of the enemy through the cross.

We do not fight for victory. We fight from the victory Christ has already won.

Colossians 2:15 — “Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.”

At Pentecost when God sent His Holy Spirit, they did not just receive a blessing or an anointing from God - then as now - when the Holy Spirit comes upon someone - we receive the infilling and indwelling of the third person of the Godhead!!! God lives in us!! With all His power and gifts! He gave them dunamis - a supernatural indwelling force, divine abilities, miracle working power! Everything He is lives inside us!!

4. The Hero Generation - The Greatest Generation

Every generation gets a label.

Boomers. Gen X. Millennials. Gen Z. Generation Alpha.

But history gave one generation a different title: *The Greatest Generation*.

The Greatest Generation is generally defined as those born between 1901 and 1927.

They are called “The Greatest Generation” because they:

- Were born 1901–1927
- Came of age during the Great Depression (1929–1939)
- Served during World War II, either in the military or on the home front
- Helped rebuild the post-war economy and society

The Greatest Generation wasn’t born great—they were forged by adversity. The Great Depression built resilience, World War II demanded courage, and the challenges they faced shaped them into heroes.

What made them great?

Their valley produced their victory.

We all want the boom, but we must first go through the battle.

God isn't looking for a comfortable generation; He's raising a courageous champion generation.

The valleys we face today are not meant to defeat us—they are preparing us to become God's champion hero generation.

God Is Raising Another Champion Hero Generation

Today's heroes are called to overcome in the valleys of.....

The Bottom Line: **Struggle doesn't disqualify heroes—it produces them.**

- **Your greatest battle may become your greatest breakthrough.**
- Your deepest valley may become your highest victory.
- The giant standing before you may actually be standing between you and your destiny.
- The obstacle you fear today may become the opportunity God uses tomorrow.
- The place of your greatest opposition often becomes the place of your greatest opportunity.
- The battle assigned to you is often proof of the destiny prepared for you.
- What the enemy intended as your stopping place, God intends as your stepping stone.
- Your Goliath is not just an enemy to defeat—it is an announcement that promotion is near.

Your valley of trouble can become a door of hope for future generations.

5. The KEY is ... Just Don't Quit!!!

Whatever giant you are facing.....determine not to quit!!!

I will finish by reading the poem - The Race....by DH Groberg

God is turning your struggle into story

Your valley into Victory

Your Battle into Breakthrough

Keep the Faith, Your Hero Story is being written!!