The Power of COURAGEOUS Example

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Introduction:

15 You are aware RAL of the fact that all who are in Asia turned away APL from me, among whom are PAL Phygelus and Hermogenes.
16 The Lord grant mercy to the house of Onesiphorus, for he often refreshed AAL me and was not ashamed APL of my chains;
17 but when he was in Rome, AMPART he eagerly searched AAL for me and found AAL me—
18 the Lord grant to him to find ANT mercy from the Lord on that day and you know AAL very well what services he rendered PAL at Ephesus.

#1 The Negative Example of COWARDICE 15

1 Corinthians 15:33 Do not be deceived: "Bad company corrupts good morals."

1st A _____ of cowardly leaders 15a

Proverbs 17:17 A friend loves at all times, And a brother is born for adversity.

2nd A _____ of cowardly leaders 15b

John MacArthur Because Paul says nothing more to identify them, we can assume they were known to Timothy. And because he bothers to name them specifically out of the many others, it seems likely that they were well known in Asia, that they were close to Paul, and that they were leaders who had shown promise. They probably would have been the last ones to be suspected of cowardice, ingratitude, and being ashamed of Christ and of Paul. 16 The Lord grant mercy to the house of Onesiphorus, for he often refreshed me and was not ashamed of my chains; 17 but when he was in Rome, he eagerly searched for me and found me— 18 the Lord grant to him to find mercy from the Lord on that day—and you know very well what services he rendered at Ephesus.

#2 The Noble Example of COURAGE 16-18

1st A _____ example 16

2 Timothy 4:19 Greet Prisca and Aquila, and the household of Onesiphorus.

ONE = for he often refreshed me

TWO = and was not ashamed of my chains

2nd A _____ example 17

Harry Ironside Evidently this man was what we would call today a traveling man. He moved about, possibly on business, or it may be in the work of the Lord he went from place to place. In the course of his travels, he came to Rome, while Paul was a prisoner there and SEARCHED for Paul.

3rd A _____ example 18

TAKE HOME:

1=Ministers of mercy and diligent servants are	to the local church
1 Corinthians 12:22 On the contrary, it is much truer that the memb	
2=Genuine believers work at	other believers
Matthew 6:14 For if you forgive others for their transgressions, your forgive others, then your Father will not forgive your transgressions.	
3=Rewards are given to those who actually 2 Corinthians 5:10 For we must all appear before the judgment sea deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good o	t of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his
4=Courage is required to become	for Christ
5=Being right with God means you have	to Christ
Questions for Growth	n in Christ
Why is example so powerful and so needed by Christians?	
Can you learn from a negative example as much as from a posit	ive example? How are they different?
In what ways did those who turned away from Paul demonstrate	e cowardice?
In what ways did Onesiphorus demonstrate courage?	
How do you demonstrate cowardice today in your walk with Go	od?

- 6. How can you, your family and your church begin to demonstrate courage starting this week?
- 7. Who around you needs to see you model courage? What will you do to demonstrate a courageous heart this week?