



Heroes of the Faith Lesson 3 - My Heroes

Read the Bible passage aloud. Then, answer the questions together. Be sure everyone has a chance to speak.

But the Lord said to Samuel, “Don’t judge by his appearance or height, for I have rejected him. The Lord doesn’t see things the way you see them. People judge by outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.”

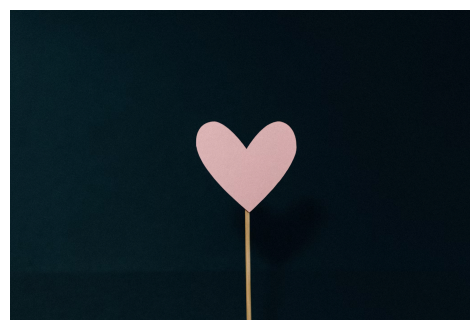
1 Samuel 16:7, NLT

Then he said to them, “You like to appear righteous in public, but God knows your hearts. What this world honors is detestable in the sight of God.”

Luke 16:15, NLT

*Charm is deceptive, and beauty does not last;
but a woman who fears the LORD will be greatly praised.*

Proverbs 31:30, NLT



What Makes a Hero?

Use a piece of paper, write down the family’s ideas about what makes someone a hero.

- What qualities do you think are important in a hero?
- Can anyone be a hero, or do you think it takes something special?

After brainstorming, share this definition:

"A hero is someone who has outstanding achievements, courage, or noble qualities."

To Discuss: God's View of a Hero

Read these verses together and discuss:

- **1 Samuel 16:7:** How does God’s view of people differ from how the world sees them?

- **Luke 16:15:** What are some things the world admires that may not matter to God?
- **Proverbs 31:30:** What does it mean to “fear the Lord,” and why does God value this?
- Which qualities on your list do you think are important to God?
- How is God’s definition of a hero different from what we see in movies or on TV?

Right Heart, Right Hero

In the world’s eyes, being a hero might mean being strong, famous, or talented. But in God’s eyes, the most important thing is having a right heart—a heart that loves him and others.

- What do you think it means to have a “right heart”?
- Can someone be a hero in God’s eyes if their heart isn’t right? Why or why not?

Having a “right heart” comes from a relationship with God through Jesus. Faith in Jesus transforms our hearts and helps us reflect noble qualities like kindness, humility, and love.