

No. 33 Learn Courage From Creation (Symposium)
 -Horses

[PLEASE NOTE: This talk includes a video. After the video is shown, refer to it occasionally to illustrate various points]

WE FACE BATTLES THAT TEST OUR COURAGE (2 min.)

We are in a spiritual battle against "wicked spirit forces in the heavenly places" (Eph 6:12; w04 9/15 10-11 ¶2-3)

We also battle our imperfect flesh on a daily basis (Ro 7:21-23)
Jehovah did not originally intend that humans fight such battles; nevertheless, he now trains and strengthens us to succeed

LEARN FROM THE COURAGE OF THE HORSE (2 min.)

Jehovah did not originally intend that horses be used in warfare; nevertheless, horses possess physical characteristics that have enabled humans to use them for this purpose [Read Job 39:19-25]

The tendency of a horse is to run away from danger, not into it
Nevertheless, a horse's natural urge to run can be channeled into courageous action

Training is needed to prepare the horse for battle

VIDEO (2 min.)

JEHOVAH'S TRAINING GIVES US COURAGE (4 min.)

Like horses, we do not acquire courage automatically

We must take advantage of the training that Jehovah provides

Anticipate challenges that you or your family may face and prepare to meet them (w10 1/15 18, box; 19-20)

Know your weaknesses, and study to address them (1Co 9:27; Jas 1:14, 15)

Give careful attention to any situations in which you failed to show courage (Pr 22:3)

Seek help from the elders when needed

Do not allow the sights and sounds of this old world to distract you (Eph 2:2)

Jehovah will help you to be completely victorious! (Pr 21:31)

Brother _____ will consider the next part of this symposium, "Learn Courage From Creation-Mongoose"

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