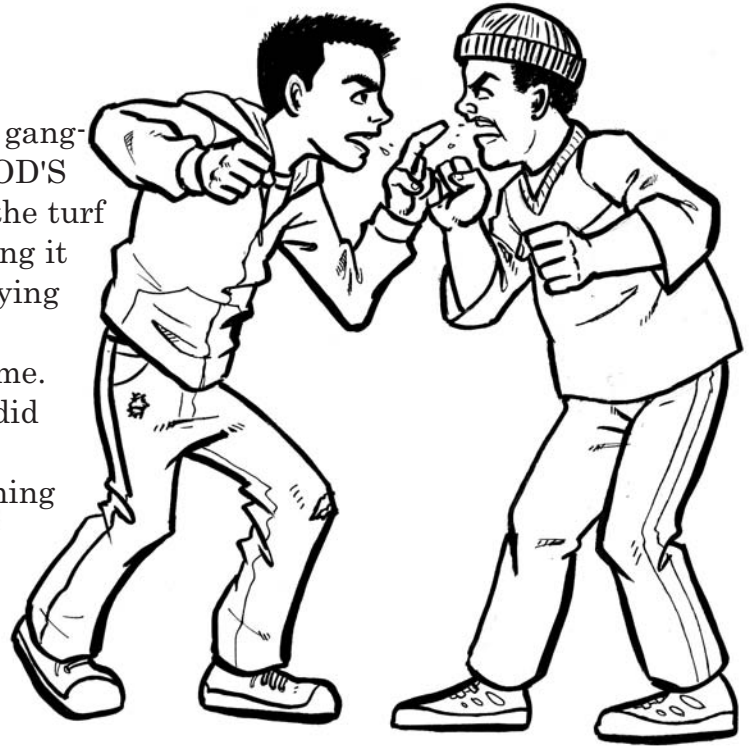


Turf Wars

If you think turf wars only happen in today's gang-banging cities, think again. Joshua, one of GOD'S main leaders, was chosen by God to capture the turf God had promised the Israelites. And capturing it wasn't always nicey nicey. Along with destroying cities like Jericho, Joshua and his men had battles where they killed thousands at one time. But the big difference between what Joshua did and what's being done on the streets is that Joshua's battles were planned by God. One thing you can learn from Joshua is to have godly courage with you wherever you go, whether it's a bad hood, school, or other places that are danger zones. Now look up these verses and write down what they mean to you. But don't stop there. Glue them to your brain.



Stepping out in Courage Joshua 1:7

Have No Fear! God is Here. Psalm 46:1

Don't Be Afraid. Psalm 91:5

Be Wise. Memorize.

No Buts, Just Guts.

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage. Do not be afraid or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

Joshua 1:9



Whose Side Are You On?

Gangs and fighting over territory are nothing new. Does it take more courage to join a gang or to stand up for God?

Write down your definition of courage:

Can gangs be a good thing? Can fighting be a good thing?

Pack Some Courage

Joshua was a Rambo of the Bible. Yet before any of his battles, Joshua is told the Lord would be with him wherever he goes. Do you think God will be with you when gangs put the pressure on YOU? Why or why not?



Put an X by the times and places you need courage:

- ____ Your home ____ Your neighborhood ____ School ____ Bus stop
- ____ Certain times of day ____ With gangs ____ At scary movies
- ____ During tests ____ With police ____ Walking by mean dogs
- ____ Being in new places where people are different from you ____ Being by yourself
- ____ Eating something new ____ Being alone with certain relatives ____ Your future
- ____ Talking about Jesus ____ Standing up for what is right

What other things are scary to you?

Tooting your horn

Joshua was famous for the Battle of Jericho (Joshua chapter 6), where by following God's plans and tooting a horn, Joshua's men brought down a city. What are some of the battles you are dealing with? How can tooting your horn for God help YOU?

Remember, God is with you wherever you go, even in the craziest of hoods.
Draw a picture on the back of where you need God to watch you.



Resist the Fist

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