

## A Bold Faith in a Coward's World

Spiritual bravery doesn't just spontaneously appear—it has a beginning and a foundation. Its beginning is God and its foundation is His Word.

I want you to consider the example of Mordecai.

He had the integrity to speak truth into the lives of his children that they took to heart and listened to.  
Esther 2:20

He had the fortitude to call out evil and expose it for what it is.  
Esther 2:21-23

He had the certainty to know when to stand, when to kneel, and when to bow.  
Esther 3:2-5

He had the humility to repent, cry, and pray publicly.  
Esther 4:1

He had the confidence that his children would rise to bravery when the time called.  
Esther 4:14

He had the assurance that God rewards—and punishes—in His own timing.  
Esther 6:10-12

He had the bravery to lead the Jews to stand and defend themselves against those who would do them harm.  
Esther 8:9-11