

Taking the Hills

Deuteronomy 6:1-9
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TAKE THE HIGH GROUND

Psalm 18:1-3, Psalm 144:1-2

“Misgab” is the Hebrew word for high ground. It’s our stronghold, our lofty place of refuge, and our high tower of defense. It’s the key to our success in student ministry. The high ground has a distinct advantage because it gives us a view of what’s coming down the road. Why would the high ground be important in our personal lives? How would this apply to student ministry?

2 Timothy 2:1-5, Deuteronomy 6:4-9, Proverbs 22:6

Do you see the next generation coming along behind you? They’re measuring your steps, considering your words, and pondering your works. Are you preparing them for the road ahead? Are you leading them to high ground and pointing out their enemy? Are you ready to be used by the Lord to inspire them to live a life of faith?

FIND YOUR PLACE

Matthew 9:35-38, 1 Corinthians 12:18-26, 2 Timothy 1:3-7

We’re better together as a community of faith, surrounding the next generation with dynamic resources. Have you found your place in that effort? We’re training up the next generation and everyone has a place. Will you pray for them? Will you be a living example? Is God calling you to mentor and challenge them to grow in the nurture and admonition of the Lord? Are you willing to answer His call and inspire them to live a life passionately devoted to the Lord?

EXAMINE YOUR PRIORITIES

Luke 10:41-42, Philippians 3:13-14, Psalms 27:4-6

What do you value in life? What produces genuine satisfaction and fulfillment? Pay attention to your answer, because these are the things you prioritize first. These are the things that get the best of your time and attention. And these are the things you teach the next generation to desire and value and treasure for themselves. Are you teaching them to treasure the fleeting things in life or to value the ‘one thing’ prized above all others?

Matthew 6:19-24

As you spend for today and invest for tomorrow, which of your contributions have eternal value? And what does your investment say to the next generation about what’s really important? Are you teaching them to invest in a future here on earth, or do your actions demonstrate that there’s a greater destination on the horizon?