

## Sermon Notes | **Choose Courage**- Deuteronomy 2-3

### **Big Idea: Choose Courage**

Three reasons to choose courage

#### **1. God is global.**

Deuteronomy 2:5 Do not contend with them, for I will not give you any of their land, no, not so much as for the sole of the foot to tread on, because I have given Mount Seir to Esau as a possession.

**Deuteronomy 2:9** And the Lord said to me, "Do not harass Moab or contend with them in battle, for I will not give you any of their land for a possession, because I have given Ar to the people of Lot for a possession."

**Deuteronomy 2:19** And when you approach the territory of the people of Ammon, do not harass them or contend with them, for I will not give you any of the land of the people of Ammon as a possession, because I have given it to the sons of Lot for a possession.

**Acts 17:26** And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place,

#### **2. God is greater.**

**Deuteronomy 2:10–12** (The Emim formerly lived there—a people great and many, and tall as the Anakim. Like the Anakim they are also counted as Rephaim, but the Moabites call them Emim. The Horites also lived in Seir formerly, but the people of Esau dispossessed them and destroyed them from before them and settled in their place, as Israel did to the land of their possession, which the Lord gave to them.)

**Deuteronomy 3:11** (For only Og the king of Bashan was left of the remnant of the Rephaim. Behold, his bed was a bed of iron. Is it not in Rabbah of the Ammonites? Nine cubits was its length, and four cubits its breadth, according to the common cubit.)

#### **3. God is good.**

**Deuteronomy 3:6** And we devoted them to destruction, as we did to Sihon the king of Heshbon, devoting to destruction every city, men, women, and children.

**Deuteronomy 9:4** Do not say in your heart, after the Lord your God has thrust them out before you, 'It is because of my righteousness that the Lord has brought me in to possess this land,' whereas it is because of the wickedness of these nations that the Lord is driving them out before you.

## Discussion Guide | **Choose Courage**- Deuteronomy 2-3

Recap the sermon: Choose courage because God is global, greater, and good.

- What did God speak to you through the service?

Read **Deuteronomy 3:28**

- Share a time in your life when it was difficult to trust God because of how scary a situation might have been.

- What is God asking you to do that requires courage?

Read **Deuteronomy 2:5, 2:9; 2:10-12, 2:19**

*In the text, we learn that God is global and that He is greater. We see this by Him giving land to Israel's enemies and also being able to displace the giants in the land.*

- Is your view of God big or small in this season of your life? How can you tell?

Read **Deuteronomy 3:6 and 9:4**

- How do you personally view God's decisions for judgment?

- What are things you could do this week/month to help you choose courage?