

# C O U R A G E O U S

mental or moral strength to venture, persevere,  
and withstand danger, fear, or difficulty



# We Own The Night

May our hearts be full like our drinks tonight  
May we sing and dance till we lose our minds  
We are only young if we seize the night  
Tonight we own the night, Tonight we own the night

When my time is over, lying in my grave  
Written on my tombstone I want it to say  
This man was a legend, A legend of his time  
When he was at a party, the party never died  
Hey, everybody's got a dream so what do you say  
Are we making history?

For tonight I'm famous, for tonight I'm king  
And I will be remembered for centuries  
They'll say: this man was a hero, a hero of the night  
When he was at a party, the party never died

Hey, I'm a little drunk, but I got something to say  
And let us wake up inside of stranger's bed  
Let us drink until there is nothing left  
And this night, my friends, we will not forget  
Tonight we own the night, Tonight we own the night

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# COURAGEOUS DESTINY

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On the first day of the third month after the Israelites left Egypt-on that very day-they came to the Desert of Sinai. After they set out from Rephidim, they entered the Desert of Sinai, and Israel camped there in the desert in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain and said, “This is what you are to say to the descendants of Jacob and what you are to tell the people of Israel: ‘You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’ These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites.”

Exodus 19:1-6

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# COURAGEOUS DESTINY IS ACCEPTING:

1. The divine affirmation, knowing that no other affirmation will satisfy.
2. The divine calling, when no one else in the world will acknowledge it.
3. The divine challenge, when everyone in the world will ridicule it.



# THREE GUIDEPPOSTS TO HELP WALK IN OUR DESTINY

## WE ARE DESTINED TO BE:

1. God's Treasured Possession
  - Accepting the Divine Affirmation
2. God's Royal Priesthood
  - Accepting the Divine Calling
3. God's Holy Nation
  - Accepting the Divine Challenge

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# GOD'S TREASURED POSSESSION

Accepting your Divine Affirmation

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# GOD'S TREASURED POSSESSION

...who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself **a people that are his very own**, eager to do what is good.

Titus 2:14



# GOD'S ROYAL PRIESTHOOD

Accepting your Divine Calling

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# GOD'S ROYAL PRIESTHOOD

As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him—You also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 2:4-5

**Our blessing will always come through our priesthood.**

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# GOD'S ROYAL PRIESTHOOD

And you will be called priests of the Lord, you will be named ministers of our God. You will feed on the wealth of nations, and in their riches you will boast. Instead of your shame you will receive a double portion, and instead of disgrace you will rejoice in your inheritance. And so you will inherit a double portion in your land, and everlasting joy will be yours.

Isaiah 61:6-7

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# GOD'S ROYAL PRIESTHOOD

Make an altar of earth for me and sacrifice on it your burnt offerings and fellowship offerings, your sheep and goats and your cattle. Wherever I cause my name to be honored, I will come to you and bless you.

Exodus 20:24 (NIV)

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# GOD'S HOLY NATION

Accepting your Divine Challenge

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# GOD'S HOLY NATION

For you have spent enough time in the past doing what pagans choose to do—living in debauchery, lust, drunkenness, orgies, carousing and detestable idolatry. They are surprised that you do not join them in their reckless, wild living, and they heap abuse on you.

1 Peter 4:3-4

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# GOD'S HOLY NATION

Let the one who does wrong continue to do wrong; let the vile person continue to be vile; let the one who does right continue to do right; and let the holy person continue to be holy. Look, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to each person according to what they have done.

Revelation 22:11-12

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“My business is in the world, and I must mix in the assemblies of men or quit the post which Providence seems to have assigned me.”

- William Wilberforce