



“Now these were the heads of the mighty men whom David had, who strengthened themselves with him in his kingdom, with all Israel, to make him king; according to the word of the Lord concerning Israel.” 1 Chronicles 11:10

The Scriptures records for us the names and some of the extraordinary exploits of these mighty men of David. But not all heroes are named. Three of the “mighty men” of David that helped him become king are nameless – indeed they are not men, but rather virtues that David possessed that enable him to ascend to the throne and continue his reign.

The first virtue is that of **vision**. David possessed an extra-ordinary vision. He was a man of faith and could see beyond the present struggles of life. “Unto You I lit up my eyes.” (Psalm 123:1)

The second “mighty man” is **courage**. Many possess vision, but without the courage to face the challenges of life, vision will grow dim very, very quickly. Courage is that inner strength that enables you to continue on when circumstances are far larger than your own abilities or resources would normally allow. Courage is the resolution to act even in the face of fear and opposition.

And finally, our third virtue is seen in David’s **faithfulness**. In spite of sin, trials, and pressure, David would not waver from his loyalty to the LORD.

Friend, cultivate these three “mighty men” in your own life and you too will be fit to “reign in life by One, Jesus Christ.” (Romans 5:17)