

GRIT

Whatever It Takes!

Your relationships
Your experiences
Your decisions

Relationship with God
Relationship with Family
Relationship with Friends

1 Corinthians 15:33 (NIV)

³³ *Don't be misled. For **bad company corrupts** good character.*

Proverbs 13:20 (NIV)

²⁰ *Walk with the wise **and become wise**, for a companion of fools **suffers harm**.*

Proverbs 27:17 (NIV)

¹⁷ *As **iron sharpens iron**, so one man sharpens another.*

2 Samuel 23:8-12 (NIV)

⁸ *These are the names of David's mighty men: Josheb-Basshebeth, a Tahkemonite, was chief of the Three; he raised his spear **against eight hundred men, whom he killed in one encounter**.*

⁹ *Next to him was Eleazar son of Dodai the Ahohite. As one of the three mighty men, he was with David when they taunted the Philistines gathered at Pas Dammim for battle. **Then the men of Israel retreated,** ¹⁰ **but he stood his ground and struck down the Philistines till his hand grew tired and froze to the sword.** The Lord brought about a great victory that day. The troops returned to Eleazar, but only to strip the dead.*

¹¹ *Next to him was Shammah son of Agee the Hararite. When the Philistines banded together at a place where there was a field full of lentils, **Israel's troops fled from them.** ¹² **But Shammah took his stand in the middle of the***

field. He defended it and struck the Philistines down, and the Lord brought about a great victory.

[Honorable Mention:]

*Benaiah son of Jehoiada - He also went down **into a pit on a snowy day and killed a lion.***

THE THIRTY

THE THREE

- 1. YOU ATTRACT THOSE WHO ARE LIKE YOU**
- 2. YOU BECOME MORE LIKE THOSE WHO YOU ARE AROUND THE MOST**

2 Samuel 23:13-16 (NLT)

¹³ *Once during the harvest, when David was at the cave of Adullam, the Philistine army was camped in the valley of Rephaim. The Three (who were among the Thirty—an elite group among David’s fighting men) went down to meet him there.*

¹⁴ *David was staying in the stronghold at the time, and a Philistine detachment had occupied the town of Bethlehem.*

¹⁵ **David remarked longingly to his men, “Oh, how I would love some of that good water from the well by the gate in Bethlehem.”**¹⁶ *So the Three broke through the Philistine lines, drew some water from the well by the gate in Bethlehem, and brought it back to David.*

2 Samuel 23:16-17 (NLT)

¹⁶ *But he refused to drink it. Instead, **he poured it out as an offering to the Lord.*** ¹⁷ *“God forbid that I should drink this!” he exclaimed. “This water is as precious as the blood of these men who risked their lives to bring it to me.” So David did not drink it. These are examples of the exploits of the Three.*