

> Today's Question: Am I a supportive sidekick for my hero?

He took Peter, James, and John with Him, and He became deeply troubled and distressed. ³⁴ He told them, "My soul is crushed with grief to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with Me.". Mark 14:33-35

1. SUPER HERO: MOSES – Sidekick: ______ and _____

Moses said to Joshua, "Pick out some men to go and fight the Amalekites tomorrow. I will stand on top of the hill holding the stick that God told me to carry." ¹⁰ Joshua did as Moses commanded him and went out to fight the Amalekites, while Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. ¹¹ As long as Moses held up his arms, the Israelites won, but when he put his arms down, the Amalekites started winning. ¹² When Moses' arms grew tired, Aaron and Hur brought a stone for him to sit on, while <u>they stood beside him and held up his arms, holding them steady until the sun went down</u>. ¹³ In this way Joshua totally defeated the Amalekites. ¹⁴ Then the LORD said to Moses, "Write an account of this victory, so that it will be remembered... **Exodus 17:9-14** (GNB)

Sidekick Self- Assessment Question:
How am I doing at _____ my leaders?

2. SUPER HERO: KING DAVID – Sidekick:

Once again the Philistines were at war with Israel. And when David and his men were in the thick of battle, David became weak and exhausted. ¹⁶ Ishbibenob was a descendant of the giants his bronze spearhead weighed more than seven pounds, and he was armed with a new sword. He had cornered David and was about to kill him. ¹⁷ But Abishai son of <u>Zeruiah came to David's rescue</u> and killed the Philistine... 2 Samuel 21:15-17 (NLT)

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3. SUPER HERO: QUEEN ESTHER – Sidekick: ____

Mordecai gave Hathach a copy of the decree issued in Susa that called for the death of all Jews. He asked Hathach to show it to Esther and explain the situation to her. He also asked Hathach to direct her to go to the king to beg for mercy and plead for her people. ⁹ So Hathach returned to Esther with Mordecai's message. ¹⁰ Then Esther told Hathach to go back and relay this message to

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Mordecai: ¹¹ "All the king's officials and even the people in the provinces know that anyone who appears before the king in his inner court without being invited is doomed to die unless the king holds out his gold scepter. And the king has not called for me to come to him for thirty days." ¹² So Hathach gave Esther's message to Mordecai.¹³ Mordecai sent this reply to Esther: "Don't think for a moment that because you're in the palace you will escape when all other Jews are killed. ¹⁴ If you keep quiet at a time like this, deliverance and relief for the Jews will arise from some other place, but you and your relatives will die. Who knows if perhaps you were made queen for just such a time as this?" ¹⁵ Then Esther sent this reply to Mordecai: ¹⁶ "Go and gather together all the Jews of Susa and fast for me. Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. My maids and I will do the same. And then, though it is against the law, I will go in to see the king. If I must die, I must die." ¹⁷ So Mordecai went away and did everything as Esther had ordered him. Esther 4:8-17 (NLT)

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4. HERO: APOSTLE PAUL – Sidekick:

...everyone in Asia has left me. Even Phygelus and Hermogenes have left me. ¹⁶ I pray that the Lord will show mercy to the family of Onesiphorus. Many times <u>Onesiphorus encouraged me</u>. He was not ashamed that I was in prison. ¹⁷ No, he was not ashamed. When he came to Rome, he looked and looked for me until he found me. ¹⁸ I pray that the Lord Jesus will make sure Onesiphorus receives mercy from the Lord God on that Day. **2 Timothy 1:15-18** (ERV)

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> 6 Reasons for Supporting my Spiritual Leaders?

Remember your leaders. They spoke God's word to you. Think about the results of their way of life. Copy their faith. ¹⁷ Obey your leaders. Put yourselves under their authority. They keep watch over you. They know they are accountable to God for everything they do. Obey them so that their work will be a joy. If you make their work a heavy load, it won't do you any good. **Hebrews 13:7, 17**(NIrV)

- 1. Because God _____ me to.
- 2. Because of what they have done ______.
- 3. Because of the _____ of their way of life.
- 4. Because they will ______to God for my soul.
- 5. Because I want them to experience ______ not _____.

6. Because it will ______.

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