



## Heroes 4 :: *Perfect Opportunity* :: Andy Stanley

### INTRODUCTION

We've all been there. We had the clarity to see what needed to be done and the irresistible urge to act, and we stepped in only to make the situation worse. Having clarity and the urge to act are the two characteristics found in every hero, but by themselves they don't guarantee a heroic outcome. There is one final step that we must go through before leaping into action.

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Heroes do the right thing, the right way, at the right time. Can you think of an example of someone who did the right thing the wrong way at the wrong time?
2. Have you ever seen what needed to be done and then acted, only to find out that the way you went about things ended up causing more harm than good?
3. Have you every had circumstances line up so that it seemed like everything was pointing you to make a certain decision? How did things turn out?
4. Read 1 Samuel 24. Whenever your prayers, passions, and desires line up with your circumstances, it is tempting to presume that this is God's will. Why can we not trust circumstances?
5. How can God's law help you make decisions? Has God's law ever given you clarity about a decision? How can you become more familiar with God's laws?
6. How can the principles of God help you make decisions? Has a principle of God every given you clarity about a decision? How can you become more familiar with God's principles?
7. How can the wisdom of God help you make decisions? Has the wisdom of God ever given you clarity about a decision? How can you train yourself to recognize the wise choice?
8. Is there a situation that you are facing in which you need to seek God's law, God's principles, and God's wisdom?

### THINK ABOUT IT

Now that we have reached the end of this series, make it your habit to continually ask God for clarity and the irresistible urge to act. Pray that you would be able to ignore the fog and step into action.

### WHAT WILL YOU DO?

Concentrate on one of the three sources of help in making decisions: God's law, God's principles, the wisdom of God. How can you begin to incorporate this source of guidance in your life?

### CHANGING YOUR MIND

*He said to his men, "The LORD forbid that I should do such a thing to my master, the Lord's anointed, or lift my hand against him; for he is the anointed of the Lord." 1 Samuel 24:6*

