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EDUSODE 6

## Faith

### My Personal PODs • points of decision

1. In this series of Edusodes, the values of courage, conviction, integrity, humility, selflessness, faith and patriotism are shared. Of these, which is the keystone and “anchor” that ties these values together and makes them real, for you?

2. Where is your faith right now? Discuss this with your battle buddy.

On a scale of 1-10 (1 being lowest to 10 being highest • circle one)

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10

3. Doss faced combat where bullets, bombs, and bayonets threatened everyone’s life. What battles are you facing right now? (Some battles are personal, internal issues, others are extremal challenges in your life.) How can faith in God help you in your own battles? How do you think that happens?

4. How can you strengthen your faith? Doss did it by daily reading his Bible, reminding him of a higher way to live, and practicing the behaviors of Biblical heroes. Share your faith building plan with your battle buddy. Be specific.

5. At the pinnacle of trauma, alone on Hacksaw Ridge, Doss was at a major point of decision. His faith was severely tested. In desperation he asked his God what he should do—then he heard the call: “Medic...Medic!” He felt he had an answer and responded with no hesitation. Have you ever experienced anything like that? What “voice” prompted you? If so, share it, and tell how your response changed you or others.

6. When you face tough decisions, whose voice gives you guidance?  
Who do you listen to?

7. The saying, “Practice makes perfect,” isn’t trite. It’s true. What is your plan to practice your faith? How can your battle buddy help keep you on track?

8. How can you help your battle buddy’s faith life?

9. On Hacksaw Ridge, Desmond Doss found himself physically isolated—surrounded by the dead, wounded, and dying—and a ferocious enemy. It’s clear that because he had a relationship with his God, and could talk to Him, he felt encouraged, courageous, and strong where others felt despair, terror, and helplessly weak. When you are alone, can you imagine talking with God for strength and courage? What might you say?