"Are we optimizing our lives for the people who know us best or the people who know us least? That's a question that haunts me."

Brent Beshore

<sup>8</sup>These are the names of David's mighty warriors: Josheb-Basshebeth, a Tahkemonite, was chief of the Three; he raised his spear against eight hundred men, whom he killed in one encounter. <sup>9</sup>Next to him was Eleazar son of Dodai the Ahohite. As one of the three mighty warriors, he was with David when they taunted the Philistines gathered at Pas Dammim for battle. Then the Israelites retreated, 10 but Eleazar 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.

2 Samuel 23:8-12 (NIV)

<sup>11</sup>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. <sup>12</sup>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.

2 Samuel 23:8-12 (NIV)

## EVERY BEAN PATCH COUNTS









"Keeping as many doors open for as long as possible is like spending your whole life filling up the gas tank without ever driving."

Erik Torenberg

## Mighty Men:

- 1. Are Committed to the Right King
- 2. Fight for the Right Causes
- 3. Take Their Assignments and Responsibilities Very Seriously

## Mighty Men Stand Firm When Everyone Else Runs



"I have made a mistake in coming to America. I must live through this difficult period in our national history with the Christian people of Germany. I will have no right to participate in the reconstruction of Christian life in Germany after the war if I do not share the trials of this time with my people."

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

## Mighty Men Trust in the Power of the Sword

Take the . . . sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Ephesians 6:17 (NIV)

"It is impossible to rightly govern the world without God and the Bible."

George Washington

Turning to Jether, his oldest son, he said, "Kill them!" But Jether did not draw his sword, because he was only a boy and was afraid.

Judges 8:20 (NIV)