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## Battle Ready

Are you a Yoda, and who is your Luke?

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**T**he entire *Star Wars* saga started with young Luke Skywalker growing up with the audience not sure if he, an aspiring Jedi, could stand against the Dark Side. We all cheered as young Luke nailed the shot that blew up the Death Star, but the outcome could easily have gone the other way, if those around Luke had taken the easier path.

Discipleship, like becoming a Jedi, requires several elements: mentors, teaching, purpose and time. Without mentors Obi-Wan and Yoda offering lessons to develop this young aspiring disciple of right, he would not have become a hero. Relationships without substance could have built the spirit, but not the resiliency and insight.

Great teachers teach students, not lessons, and understand that an exceptional curriculum has purpose that builds on each age producing those who are ready to fight spiritual darkness with Christ's light. The tragedy comes when every teacher decides their own objectives of what young Luke should learn. Thankfully Obi-Wan, Yoda and other mentors of Luke and Leia kept them focused on the same lessons and purpose over their entire lives growing up.

If you want to see kids and teens come through your classes ready to defend their faith, you need to partner with a curriculum that helps teachers and parents. D6 EveryDay curriculum helps you train kids, teens, adults and grandparents with teaching that crosses all ages, so what

they learn in church becomes continued conversations and activities at home. D6 EveryDay gives students a devotional magazine so they can be in the Word every day, not just on Sunday. The Death Star would never have been destroyed if young Luke only trained like a Jedi on Sundays for one to two hours.

When your kids bring friends home, this time presents another parenting opportunity to step into those kids' lives and help disciple them. They already admire you because, like most kids, they enjoy being in a home filled with love. So, find teachable moments with them like with your own kids. Gather at the table, pray together, break out those devotional magazines letting each family member read their own and then share what you are discovering and how you will use it this week. Kids need spiritual Yodas, and we all need intentional discipleship materials like D6 Everyday.

Luke learned how to build his light saber to battle dark forces. You can be the mentor to your kids and your class to help others learn to build their Bible knowledge and apply it in everyday life fighting off what desires to defeat them. *Star Wars* highlights generations of Jedi just as Deuteronomy 6 shows the power of discipleship from one generation to the next, and D6 EveryDay provides the tools and teachable moments every generation needs. ●

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