

# SOUL FORTITUDE

"Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name."

Psalm 103:1, NRSV

"I had prepared myself to face it, as all men [and women] must steel their souls to face new and unknown dangers. But in the darkness after you have gone to bed, when you are not the commander with stars on your shoulders, but just one man [or woman], alone with your God in the dark, your thoughts inevitably turn inward, and out of whatever resources of the spirit you possess, you prepare yourself as best you may for whatever tests may lie ahead." (Charles W. Arnade, "Solider: The Memoirs of Matthew B. Ridgway")

## PRAYER

Dear Blessed Savior, you see that I don't have all the answers. I am sometimes unsure and fearful that my decisions will hurt others and fail before the world. Be with me when I feel alone.

What do you fear most about being a leader?

