

ARMY VALUES Case-Ex: Personal Courage (continued)

Case-Ex: Personal Courage – ARMY VALUES (PFC Keeter)

(Bolded questions are included in the Case-Ex video interface)

Part 1:

PFC Keeter describes his road march in Basic when he was really hurting. He talks about the difficulties of the road march and how he wasn't sure he was going to make it. A Buddy offered to take his ruck for him. PFC Keeter was afraid of failing.

Recognize the ethical dilemma

1. How do working through physical pain and facing fears involve Personal Courage?

2. What is PFC Keeter's problem?

Examine options through the ethical lenses

3. What options does PFC Keeter have as he struggles to complete the road march?

4. What rules or regulations apply to this situation?

5. What could be considered the right action and attitude?

6. What are the potential consequences to this decision?

7. How should PFC Keeter evaluate his options?

Commit to a Decision

8. What factors are influencing PFC Keeter's decision?

9. How will PFC Keeter's desire to perform impact him?

Act

10. What personal traits can help PFC Keeter push through his fear?

11. Why is it so hard for him to commit to finishing the road march?

12. Is this a one-time decision for PFC Keeter or an ongoing challenge?

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Part 2:

PFC Keeter discusses how he realized that handing off his rucksack would cause more pain for the rest of his platoon, so he draws strength from the hard work they are already doing. He realizes that quitting would actually be even worse for him. PFC Keeter realizes that he can endure, persevere and encourage others to work harder. He relates dealing with the stress in Basic to the stresses they will face in combat.

- 1. How did PFC Keeter display Personal Courage?**
- 2. What motivated the other Soldiers in the platoon to endure even more by taking their buddies' rucks and ACH's?**
- 3. How does observing the courage of others build our own Personal Courage?**
- 4. In what ways did other Army Values contribute to PFC Keeter's Personal Courage?**

5. What was PFC Keeter's definition of Personal Courage? How does this compare to the Army definition?
6. How might this experience change PFC Keeter's attitudes and actions in the future?
7. In what ways did other Army Values contribute to PFC Keeter's Personal Courage?