

IMPACT GROUP QUESTIONS

KEY PASSAGE: 1 SAMUEL 17:31-58

Opening: What truths impacted you most from the sermon/passage?

INFORM THE HEAD / STIR THE HEART

1. According to 1 Samuel 17:16, how long had the Philistines and the Israelites been in a standoff? Why do you think the Israelites refused to fight?

2. From vs. 31-37, what displays how the Lord prepared and trained David, and what evidence do you see of his faith? How do those two get lived out in our Christian walk?

3. Imagine the moment that David took off Saul's armor and picked up the stones instead. What thoughts would you have had if you were:

a. A Philistine?

b. One of the scared Israelites?

c. A follower of God?

4. How did Goliath view David and what was he missing in his perspective?

5. Based on David's speech to Goliath, why did God save the Israelites the way He did?

6. Please consider the problem the Israelites faced, the proposed solution to their problem, and the outcome. What can we learn from the Israelites' response to the problem (vs. 21-24) vs. David's response?

7. How did David's faith encourage the rest of the Israelites, and how does that apply to our faith and the church?

CHALLENGE THE WILL

Based on what you learned from the study, or read in the passage, what actions/focus do you need to pursue in order to draw closer to the Lord (i.e. Battle cry #1: Focus on the problem solver, not on the problem; Battle cry #2: Small me, big God)?

WEEKLY READING PLAN

Monday, August 9 // Psalm 124

God is on our side!

Tuesday, August 10 // Psalm 91

Make the Lord your dwelling place

Wednesday, August 11 // Psalm 144

Trust Him who strengthens you

Thursday, August 12 // 2 Cor. 10:3-5, Eph. 6:10-19

Fight with His armor

Friday, August 13 // Eph 4:1-6, 11-13

Faith to Model