

Day 1

1. **Read 1 Samuel 17.** What was Saul doing to help his soldiers deal with their fear?
2. What specific fear has been around in your life for an extended time?
3. How did David's brother treat him?
4. What family member are you having difficulties with right now?
5. David had access to an incredible source of courage and power to win victories over Goliath, his brother, and Saul. How could you access that same power to help you this week?

Day 2

6. **Read 1 Samuel 18.** What were the key elements of the covenantal relationship with Jonathan and David?
7. What do you learn about jealousy and emotions as you study Saul in this passage?
8. What do you see as major differences between David and Saul, and how would you apply these lessons to your own life?

Day 3

9. **Read 1 Samuel 19.** Jesus will come from David's family. How do you see God protecting that plan in this chapter?

10. How have you seen God do similar things in your life? Please share at least one example with your group.

Day 4

11. **Read 1 Samuel 20.** Why do you think Jonathan did not kill David to protect his inheritance as king?

12. Using Jonathan and David as a model of friendship, what do you think is needed for you to be to be a good friend to another person?

13. What close friend have you lost that still hurts today when you think about it?