

David,

Pursuing God's Heart

4-19-2015

When Life Overwhelms 1 Samuel 17

A _____ Problem (1-11)

An _____ Resolution (12-27)

A _____ of Barriers (28-39)

A _____ Battle (40-54)

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Preparing for Next Week

4-26-2015

- For next week read 1 Samuel 18 & answers the questions below:
- What would be a similar to David's new appointment in our country? (5)
- Verses 6-7 describes the difference in ability between Saul and David. Describe this scene in Israel when they returned from battle.
- Jealousy is a powerful emotion. Describe a circumstance where you had struggled with jealousy.
- What was Saul mostly afraid of according to the next two verses?
- What it mean that Saul had "eyed David from that day on." (9)
- Verses 10-11 says that a "harmful spirit from God rushed upon Saul." What does that phrase means? How could it have come from God?
- According to vs. 12-15, what was Saul really jealous & afraid of in David?
- Describe Saul's manipulation with his daughters toward David. How does that differ from David's humble attitude toward them?
- The phrase "Saul thought" from verses 17 & 24 gives us insight into Saul's heart. What else do we learn about his heart from these verses?
- What did Saul think of his daughter's influence on others? (21)
- Can you think of other examples in Scripture that demonstrate where someone had similar disdain for another?
- After Saul's plans to have David killed are foiled, describe the increase of hatred & fear Saul was experiencing toward David.
- In what areas have you felt intimidated by another person's success?
- What about humans that have such a difficult time with envy & jealousy?
- In light of David's anointing, how might he have been tempted to act in the midst of all of this mistreatment?
- Have you ever been mistreated by someone in authority over you? How did you react?
- How do you believe David & Saul interacted daily in the palace, at family functions, and around the rest of the leadership of Israel?
- How have the stories of David's life encouraged your faith this far in our series?