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A Study Of The Life Of David



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How David Conquered A Giant (And How We Can Too):

1. David denied _____.
2. David remembered what God had _____.
3. David declined human _____.
4. David celebrated when God _____.

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The following questions can be used for Small Group discussions or for personal reflection:

1. Read through 1 Samuel 17, taking in the entire event of this battle between David and Goliath. What stands out to you as you read this? What, if anything, is new, that you haven't noticed before?
2. How equipped was David to fight the giant? What did he need, according to worldly wisdom?
3. What did God do, contrary to worldly wisdom, that displayed his strength and power?
4. What giants are you facing, or have faced in the recent past?
5. If in the past, what did God do to display his strength and power in your circumstances? If you are facing this now, what do you need God to do?
6. In such circumstances, what or who has been a source of encouragement to you? A source of discouragement? How can you avoid the one and draw strength from the other?
7. What has God done in your life that you can point to as a victory, and draw strength from?
8. For further study, read and discuss the following Scriptures: Psalm 20; Ephesians 6:10-20; Isaiah 40:31; 2 Corinthians 12:9-10, Matthew 19:26.