

Defeat Your Giant
Follow God's Heart – Part 1
Life Church St. Louis – June 20, 2021
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Acts 13:22 (ESV) [God] raised up David to be their king, of whom he testified and said, 'I have found in David the son of Jesse a man after my heart, who will do all my will.'

1. Embrace God's _____ and equipping

1 Samuel 16:10 (ESV) And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen these."

1 Samuel 16:12 (ESV) And he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. And the LORD said, "Arise, anoint him, for this is he."

1 Samuel 16:13 (ESV) Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of the LORD rushed upon David from that day forward. And Samuel rose up and went to Ramah.

2. Trust God to defeat your _____

1 Samuel 17:32 (ESV) And David said to Saul, "Let no man's heart fail because of him. Your servant will go and fight with this Philistine."

1 Samuel 17:36 (ESV) Your servant has struck down both lions and bears, and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, for he has defied the armies of the living God."

1 Samuel 17:45 (ESV) Then David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with a sword and with a spear and with a javelin, but I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.

1 Samuel 17:49 (ESV) And David put his hand in his bag and took out a stone and slung it and struck the Philistine on his forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the ground.

3. Grow in faith through _____

1 Samuel 18:11 (ESV) And Saul hurled the spear, for he thought, "I will pin David to the wall." But David evaded him twice.

1 Samuel 18:12 (ESV) Saul was afraid of David because the LORD was with him but had departed from Saul.

1 Samuel 18:14-15 (ESV) And David had success in all his undertakings, for the LORD was with him. And when Saul saw that he had great success, he stood in fearful awe of him.

James 1:2-3 (ESV) Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness.

Action Plan for This Week

- Have a daily time of Bible reading & prayer (1 Samuel 16-18))
 - Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun
 - Invite a friend to attend the service next week.
 - How will I obey God's Word this week? _____
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Intro. What does the phrase “David was a man after God’s heart” mean (Acts 13:22)?

Intro. How could David be a man after God’s heart when he sinned so grievously in his life?

Intro. How could you grow as a person who follows God’s heart?

1A. What was God looking for in choosing the next king to follow Saul (1 Samuel 16:10)?

1B. How do you think Samuel learned to hear God’s voice (1 Samuel 16:12)?

1C. Why did the Holy Spirit come upon David after his anointing (1 Samuel 16:13)?

1D. What calling(s) do you believe God has on your life? How is He equipping you for that calling?

2A. Why do you think that David had the courage to fight Goliath (1 Samuel 17:32)?

2B. What was David’s primary motive in fighting the giant (1 Samuel 17:36)?

2C. Where did David put his trust in the battle (1 Samuel 17:45, 49)? What did defeating Goliath have to do with David’s calling?

2D. What giant is standing in the way of God’s calling on your life?

3A. Why did Saul attempt to kill David (1 Samuel 18:11)?

3B. What does it mean that the Lord had departed from Saul (1 Samuel 18:12)?

3C. What was the source of David’s success (1 Samuel 18:14-15)?

3D. How do trials in your own life prepare you for God’s calling (James 1:2-3)?