

THE LIFE OF DAVID

David and Jonathan

1 Samuel 18

Sunday, October 28, 2018

2. The _____ of Jonathan

- The _____ miss the point of David's slaying of Goliath and mistakenly begin to _____ David.
- _____ gets the point of David's slaying of Goliath, but _____ God's work and begins to _____ David.
- Jonathan gets the point of David's slaying of Goliath and _____ to God's work by _____ to David.

3. The _____ of Jonathan

- In Jonathan, we see a picture of how _____ has acted toward _____ in Christ.
- In Jonathan, we see a picture of how _____ ought to respond to _____ because of Christ.
- In Jonathan, we see a picture of how _____ ought to act toward _____ as we live for Christ.

The life of David is bound up with the lives of Saul and his son, Jonathan. The lives of these three are curiously bound up together through the second half of 1 Samuel. Next week we'll look at David and Saul, but today we begin with David and Jonathan . . .

1. The _____ of Jonathan

- Our _____ - _____ for friendship . . .

- The _____ of friendship . . .

- 4 qualities of a true friendship . . .

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

- Through a long season of struggle and suffering, Jonathan's friendship was a _____ and a _____ from God in David's life.

Growth Groups are the glue that hold our church together. Growth Groups are groups of 6 - 12+ people that meet together during the week to process and apply the message, pray together, care for another and live life together. If you are interested in joining a Growth Group, go to gracecentralcoast.org.

Connecting and Caring for One Another

This week we are talking about the gift of friendship. Take time to cultivate your friendships by being vulnerable and sharing what's happening in your lives.

Digging into God's Word & the Message Together

1. Rather than asking "How did you LIKE the message this week?", we're committed to asking "How did you COME UNDER God's Word in the text and message this week?" In other words, how did God speak to you, convict you or encourage you through our study of the life of David this week?
2. Read together again 1 Samuel 18:1-12. What event precedes this and gives rise to this text? Who are the different parties and what are their different responses to David?
3. 1 Samuel 18 describes the friendship of David and Jonathan. Explore their friendship more by reading 19:1-7, 20:1-17. What are some things you notice about their friendship?
4. Do you agree that friendship is a "lost art?" Why or why not? In the message, we explored a few reasons why. What are other cultural

factors that contribute to our inability to develop and keep friends?

5. Growth Groups are intended to be a setting where true friendships are grown. So how is your group doing with that? What are some things your group can do to better develop your friendships?
6. What is the significance of Jonathan giving his robe and sword to David? What is Jonathan saying? How is this a contrast to Saul? How is this a powerful, compelling, multi-dimensional picture of the Gospel?

Praying Together

- As you pray for one another's needs, pray for the growth of your friendships together.
- Pray for a Jonathan-like surrender and submission to the Lord's purposes for your life and other's lives around you.