



Part 9: What A Friend!

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REVIEW

To Slay The Giants In Our Lives We Need...

Solemn Determination

Unwavering Confidence

Invisible Armor

Godly Dependence

The Story

1. THE FRIEND

1 Samuel 18:1 (ESV)- As soon as he had finished speaking to Saul, the soul of Jonathan was knit to the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul.

2. THE FAME

1 Samuel 18:6-7 (ESV) As they were coming home, when David returned from striking down the Philistine, the women came out of all the cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet King Saul, with tambourines, with songs of joy, and with musical instruments. And the women sang to one another as they celebrated, “Saul has struck down his thousands, and David his ten thousands.”

3. THE FIGHT

1 Samuel 18:10-11 The next day a harmful spirit from God rushed upon Saul, and he raved within his house while David was playing the lyre, as he did day by day. Saul had his spear in his hand. And Saul hurled the spear, for he thought, “I will pin David to the wall.”

Truth's From the Story...

1. We Need Friends

1 Samuel 18:3 (ESV)- Then Jonathan made a covenant with David, because he loved him as his own soul.

Proverbs 17:17 (ESV)-A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

2. Characteristics Of A True Friendship

Built on commitment not convenience.

1 Samuel 18:3-4 (ESV)-Then Jonathan made a covenant with David, because he loved him as his own soul. And Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that was on him and gave it to David, and his armor, and even his sword and his bow and his belt.

Proverbs 18:24 (ESV)-A man of many companions may come to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.

Built on sacrifice not selfishness.

1 Samuel 19:2-3 (ESV)- And Jonathan told David, “Saul my father seeks to kill you. Therefore be on your guard in the morning. Stay in a secret place and hide yourself. And I will go out and stand beside my father in the field where you are, and I will speak to my father about you.

Built on authenticity not an act.

1 Samuel 19:41 (ESV)- and wept with one another, David weeping the most.

Built on strengthening not silence.

1 Samuel 23:16 (ESV)- And Jonathan, Saul's son, rose and went to David at Horesh, and strengthened his hand in God.

3. Jesus Is The Greatest Friend

John 15:15 (ESV)-No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you.

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Here Is The Point: Godly friendship is a gift