

Growth Group Homework and Discussion Questions

For the Week of May 30 - June 5, 2010
"Charging Your Goliaths"

Homework:

Before your Growth Group meets, take about 20 minutes on your own to complete the following...

Read Psalm 27

What does this Psalm tell you about God that helps you have courage to face your "Goliaths?" What promises are in this Psalm that you need to claim in relationship to your "Goliaths?" What advice do you think David is giving in this Psalm when it comes to charging your "Goliaths?"

Growth Group Discussion Questions:

The following questions are to be discussed when your Growth Group meets this week.

My Story: When you were growing up, who was the bully of the neighborhood or school? What made that person so frightening?

Digging Deeper:

1. Goliath was Saul's worst nightmare. What weaknesses in Saul did Goliath reveal?
2. What strengths in David did Goliath reveal?
3. David's victory over Goliath was a political watershed moment for both Saul and David. While it launched David into public favor it spelled the beginning of the end for Saul. What does that tell you about how God can use giant-sized problems in our lives?

Living It:

1. What are your giants?
2. How have you faced them? In faith, like David? Run from them, like the Israelites? Tried to get someone else to

fight them, like Saul? What strategy have you followed most often?

3. David had a sling and five stones. Pastor Larry said, "What you already have is enough for God to use to bring down Goliath." What resources do you currently have to confront your giant?
4. Pastor Larry said that spiritual disciplines (Reading God's word, prayer, fasting, solitude, fellowship with believers, etc.) help us to remember who God is and what He can do. What spiritual discipline do you need to participate in more regularly in order to face your Goliath with faith?
5. David "ran to the battle" because he knew the "battle was the Lord's." What courageous steps are you going to take toward your Goliath knowing that the battle is the Lord's?