

**IMPACT BIBLE STUDY  
DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

**I SAMUEL 17:1 – 18:30**

Day 1 – Read I Samuel 17:1 – 18:30

1. What part of the lecture on I Samuel 15:1 – 16:23 was most significant to you?

Day 2 – Review I Samuel 17:1-37

2.
  - a. Give Goliath's challenge.
  - b. What was the response of Saul and all Israel?
  - c. Do you have a "Goliath" in your life at this time?
  - d. What is his/its challenge?
3. What rewards were promised to the man who would fight Goliath?
4. Why did David feel the men should be unafraid to fight Goliath?
5. How did Saul respond to David's words?
6.
  - a. Have you ever been surprised by the great faith of a young person? Give an example.

- b. What did Christ say about this? See Matthew 18:3, 4.
7. Why did David feel confident in facing Goliath?
8. What “lions and bears” has the Lord delivered you from recently that increases your faith for the future? See I Peter 5:6-10.

Day 3 – Review I Samuel 17:38-53

9. a. What armor and weapons did David take to battle?
- b. From Ephesians 6:13-17, what is the armor of God made available to us as Christians?
10. To whom did David say the battle belonged?
11. How did David cause Goliath to fall?
12. a. How did the Israelites respond to David’s victory?
- b. How do the successes of godly men affect you?
13. a. In what ways can you relate David’s Psalm 23 to his confrontation with Goliath?
- b. Which verse of this psalm will you claim as a promise for this coming week?

Day 4 – Review I Samuel 17:54 – 18:5

14. Compare Jonathan's attitude when facing the Philistines in 14:6 to that of David when facing Goliath in 17:37.

15. a. In verse 14:7 and 14:45 who had responded to Jonathan with love and trust?

b. What are we told of Jonathan's love for David?

c. What do you think drew Jonathan to love David so deeply?

16. In the following Scriptures, what other examples do we find of a person/persons being "knit" to another?

a. John 13:35

b. I Corinthians 4:17

c. Colossians 2:1-3

17. Compare your friendships made with those in Christ to those made with others in the world.

Do you have a sister/brother or small group of friends in Christ who will . . . share your defeats and victories? . . . who will encourage and strengthen you? . . . rebuke and exhort you? . . . who will share your joy as you look together toward Christ? Pray that you will overflow with love as Jonathan did and be led into such a relationship.

Day 5 – Review I Samuel 18:6-30

18. From these verses, what caused Saul to hate David so deeply?

a. 18:8

b. 18:12

c. 18:15

d. 18:28-29

19. What name would you give for the emotion exhibited by Saul, which is also a prevalent sin in our day?

20. a. Have you struggled with this “demon?”

b. With what results?

21. Saul tried to do away with David several times. Give Saul’s methods with verses.

22. What is the repeated phrase or phrases that tells us the reason for David’s successes?

23. Reviewing all of Chapter 18, which characteristics in Galatians 5:19-23 would you attribute to Jonathan . . . and which to Saul?

24. Which characteristic do you most desire for yourself? Pray that God will help you claim the promise of Galatians 5:24.