

## STUDY GUIDE

**1 Samuel 17:1-18:16**

**“The Battle is the Lord’s”**

- 1) What is the significance of Goliath, and the Philistines, coming forward in battle to defy the armies of Israel? Who is Goliath ultimately mocking?**
  
- 2) What are some of the ways you see God mocked today?**  
**How are you affected by these ways God is mocked?**
  
- 3) Why did God allow Goliath to come forward and challenge the army of Israel?**  
**What are some challenges you are walking through right now? How are you learning to trust God in the midst of them?**
  
- 4) Knowing that Saul and the men of Israel responded in fear to Goliath, what does that reveal to us about Saul?**  
**How do you battle fear? Why is it necessary to do so?**
  
- 5) Read 1 Samuel 17:41-47. What does this reveal about David’s heart? How do you feel challenged or encouraged by David’s heart?**  
**What do these verses show us about God?**
  
- 6) How does God’s defeat of Goliath, through his servant David, point us to Jesus?**

*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 17:45*