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SUMMER
AT WOODLAND HILLS

Giants
June 27, 2021

Read 1 Samuel 17:1-51

Alex talked about the war strategy of sending the Champion (best warrior) from each side to the middle to fight the battle. What is the significance of Jesus as our “Man in the middle” in the battle between us and the devil? What can happen when we don’t understand this concept?

1 Samuel 17:16 tells us that Saul and the Israelites were so afraid of Goliath that they cowered for 40 days. Think about the spiritual battles in your life. What are you wasting or missing out on as you delay dealing with your giants?

Alex defines giants as the things we must fight or they will control us. To slay these giants, we must be ready, willing and able.

- **READY:** As you examine your past victories and mistakes, what have you learned from both? What do you need to do to be ready when faced with the next challenge?
- **WILLING:** Saul had 40 days worth of chances to face the giant. While David was faithfully serving and seeking God, Saul was falling back into old habits and sins. Are you willing to fight the spiritual battle before you? What does it look like to really trust God for the victory?
- **ABLE:** We need to develop a battle strategy in our quiet times with God. What does your strategy look like? Where are your strong points and your weaknesses? What steps do you need to take to build your ability to fight spiritual battles well?

Read Exodus 34:6-7 and Joshua 11:22

What is the difference between iniquity and sin?

In His goodness God reminds us that we must deal with iniquity (what’s in our heart) or it will be passed to our children. Do you see the results of generational sin in your own life? Does understanding the generational effect of not dealing with sin change your urgency and resolve to fight the giants in your life?

As you finish your time together, pray for boldness to be ready, willing and able to fight the battles before you and for freedom from generational iniquity. Commit to backing each other up in prayer as you seek to “kill the giants” facing you.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS