

DAVID, PART 1: DAVID THE GRUNT

David went from humble shepherd to national hero to great king. But he wasn't great because of his reputation or military prowess. He was great because of where he'd learned to place his hope. He was great because he was intentional. We can learn to follow his example.

BIG IDEA: An intentional life influences people

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Talk about a time when you faced a seemingly insurmountable obstacle or unachievable goal. What did you do? What happened?
- 2. How familiar were you with the story of David and Goliath prior to this message? What new insights, if any, did you take away from Carlo's interpretation of the story?
- 3. In what people and things are we tempted to place our hope? What are some of the dangers of trusting those people or things?
- 4. With your Bible or Bible App, read Psalm 25:1-5 (written by David)

O Lord, I give my life to you. I trust in you, my God! Do not let me be disgraced, or let my enemies rejoice in my defeat. No one who trusts in you will ever be disgraced, but disgrace comes to those who try to deceive others. Show me the right path, O Lord; point out the road for me to follow. Lead me by your truth and teach me, for you are the God who saves me. All day long I put my hope in you.

Psalm 25:1-5 (NLT)

- 5. What are some things that make it difficult for you to trust God? During the message, Carlo said, "The history we are forming with God now can become the very way the very 'how' that fulfills His plan for us in the future." To what extent do you need to intentionally trust God in the now?
- 6. To what extent do you need to intentionally increase the clarity, confidence, and humility in your life?
- 7. What is one thing you can do this week to intentionally grow your trust in God? How can this group support you?

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

We place our hope in whatever or whomever we trust. People whose hope is in the Lord need not fear. They see clearly, act confidently, and walk humbly. Each day this week, consider intentionally praying the words of the Psalm that follows.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

In you, Lord my God, I put my trust . . . My hope is in you all day long. - Psalm 25:1,5 (NLT)