

Battle for your Vision

We are *made to move!*
We should live a life that is pleasing to the Lord!

Without vision, it is difficult for us to run!
We have to write the vision down so we can run with it!

Last week, we talked about how we were BORN to build. There is a big difference between eternal things and temporal things.

The best coaches start every season making sure each and every person playing knows the primary goal. This is how we should live our lives! Knowing the primary goal!!

Stay focused on the things before you!

When the coach calls you to be in, we can't forget our responsibilities! We can't be over excited or overwhelmed! We have to be READY!
We CANNOT live in the fullness of God if we are overwhelmed by what happened in the past!
Those that are in Christ are a NEW creation! The OLD IS GONE THE NEW HAS COME!
Forgiveness is instant, healing is a process!

Understand the significance of the moment!
The enemy loves to attack those who become familiar with the things of God. He plays you to tell you that you know everything about God, everything He can do, and to become familiar with God. It makes us miss the significance of God in the SIMPLE things!
DON'T MISS IT!

God sometimes uses the overlooked and least of these to do the most significant things.
David - saw the importance in the simple things (watching sheep)
There's things in church that are simple yet significant - the small plastic blue chairs we sit in!
The enemy doesn't want us to see the significance in the simple things and in being obedient to God.

Demonstration of maturity is the ability to grow more and more in love with Jesus and the passion is evident to those around them!

You'll never change someone if you're offended by them!

What we value in this world will be the thing we worship. What do you worship?

Focus on NOW! When we walk into the church environment, we focus on NOW!
When we walk into church we walk in and WORSHIP NOW!

What we worship, we war with! We take it into battles with us!

We are soldiers for the Kingdom of God!

The enemy will distract us so we don't understand the significance in the simple things we've been called to.

What we worship, we fight with! The greatest things we worship should be the things of God!

The fight of David and Goliath wasn't the first fight David was in, but it was a fight where the odds were stacked against him.

God prepares you behind the scenes in the simple ways!

Ephesians 6:12-13

"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand."

Belt of truth - HOLDS everything together!

David said the Word of God is a lamp unto my feet and light unto my path! He is not confused of where to go or where to step! We do not have to predict our future because the Word of God is a light unto my path!

The person who tries to act like their not in the fight - never wins! We can deny the fact that we're in a spiritual battle all we want - but the reality is that we are in a spiritual battle! In the midst of following Jesus, don't be naive! There is an enemy out there that wants to rob you of your vision, your future, and your hope!!

David recognized that he didn't need to fight Goliath the way everyone else did!

Problems with your spouse? Love

Problems with your boss? Pray for them

Problems with finances? Thank God for what we already have and that we have more than enough

When David walked out to meet the giant, he said the LORDS name will ring throughout the nation and be known, not his name!

There is a God that's for His people! That shows up in our time of need! That will never leave us or forsake us!

God was with the whole army in Israel but there was only one boy who recognized that we don't battle the way they did!

We don't fight the way that people expect us to fight! We choose to go to war with what we worship! And that is JESUS! We will go into battle with JESUS on our side!

We are victors in Christ - not fighting for victory but from a place of victory.

The only way we can be who God called us to be is to be PLANTED IN THE HOUSE. The church isn't perfect, its leaders aren't perfect, but we are running after and serving a perfect God. We want God to move in us and through us.