



LIFEgroup STUDY GUIDE

What you will need to supplement this guide:

1. A copy of the outline provided for notes on this message (copy from message or downloaded from the COASTAL APP).
2. A Bible or Bible APP to refer to verses.

PURSUING LIFE TOGETHER SUNDAY MESSAGE REVIEW

NOTE to the LIFEgroup Leader: This guide is provided as a tool to assist you in facilitating a structured discussion with your group. When used in conjunction with the outline notes and a Bible this tool will ensure that your group will *Engage Authentically*. The questions are merely recommended “talk starters”. It is important for you to let God help you navigate through the conversation as you *pursue life together* as a group.

OPEN IN PRAYER

STARTER QUESTIONS:

Where have you seen God at work in your life since we last met?

What stood out to you from the message this week?

MAIN IDEA:

- REVIEW THE MAIN TOPIC OF THE MESSAGE. Allow time for discussion
- READ THE MAIN SCRIPTURE FROM THE MESSAGE OUTLINE.

How did this verse speak to you in your life?

- REVIEW THE SUB-TOPICS of the MESSAGE.

Have someone read each of the verses that were highlighted in the message, and briefly discuss.

Is there an area that you feel God is speaking to you through this message?

FINAL THOUGHTS:

- SUMMARIZE the main idea of this message.

Would anyone like to share your thoughts about what we discussed today?

How can we pray for you as a group?

CLOSE IN PRAYER

BROKEN HALLELUJAH

“Week 2”

"The world has yet to see what God can do with a man fully consecrated to Him. By God's help, I aim to be that man."
-D.L. Moody

“And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he was armoured with a coat of mail; the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze. He had greaves of bronze on his legs and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders. The shaft of his spear was like a weaver’s beam, and his spear’s head weighed six hundred shekels of iron; and his shield-bearer went before him.”
1 Samuel 17:4-7 (NRSV)

“When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid... ..For forty days the Philistine came forward and took his stand, morning and evening.”
1 Samuel 17:11,16 (NRSV)

The Israelite Army was paralyzed by a Goliath Imagination

“The moment we permit evil to control our imaginations, dictate the way we think, and shape our responses, we at the same time become incapable of seeing the good and the true and the beautiful.”
-Eugene Peterson, *Leap Over a Wall*

Fear isn't inherently a sin. Allowing your Goliath Imagination to overtake your Gospel Imagination is.

“David said to Saul, ‘Let no one’s heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine.’”
1 Samuel 17:32 (NRSV)

“Saul clothed David with his armour; he put a bronze helmet on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail. David strapped Saul’s sword over the armour, and he tried in vain to walk, for he was not used to them. Then David said to Saul, ‘I cannot walk with these; for I am not used to them.’ So David removed them.”
1 Samuel 17:38-39 (NRSV)

Armor – Maddaw - armour, clothes, garment, judgment, measure, stature

“‘Can you find out the deep things of God? Can you find out the limit of the Almighty? Its measure is longer than the earth, and broader than the sea.’”
Job 11:7,9 (NRSV)

“This is your lot, the portion I have measured out to you, says the Lord, because you have forgotten me and trusted in lies.”
Jeremiah 13:25 (NRSV)

A Gospel Imagination looks at who God made you, who God calls you to be and how faithful God has been in the past and moves forward bravely.

“Fear of man will prove to be a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord is kept safe.”
Proverbs 29:25 (NIV)

“The fear of man brings a snare, but he who trusts in the Lord will be exalted.”
Proverbs 29:25 (NASB)

“Go, assemble all the Jews who are found in Susa, and fast for me; do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my maidens also will fast in the same way. And thus I will go in to the king, which is not according to the law; and if I perish, I perish.”
Esther 4:16 (NASB)

Life Group Question:

“God never promised safe, but He has promised good.” In what ways can something be truly good but not safe, and why do we often assume that what is good should also feel safe?

“Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the stream, and put them in his shepherd’s bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine.”
1 Samuel 17:40 (NRSV)

“When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly towards the battle line to meet the Philistine. David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground.”
1 Samuel 17:48-49 (NRSV)