

LIFEGROUP

Weekly Sermon Study Guide

Sermon Series: A Series of Unfortunate Events **Sermon Title:** David Returns

Scripture: 1 Samuel 18-19:8

Date Preached: November 8, 2020

WEEKLY CHECK-IN:

Last week we discussed Absalom's death. Revisit the events surrounding his death. How did he die? Who killed him?

Also, as a part of catching up on each other's week, this would be a good time to gather everyone's prayer requests and praises. This allows everyone to share about their life and you can use this to guide your prayer at the end of the discussion.

DISCUSSION STARTER:

Share a time when you were given bad news. How did you feel? How did you respond?

DISCUSSION:

Read the scripture text as a group. If you were unable to worship with us on Sunday, you can watch this week's sermon at my.worthingtoncc.org/listen.

1. What in this week's scripture was most interesting?
2. What news was David hoping to hear from the battle?
3. In the midst of crisis, how do our emotions affect our decision making? How do you adjust to get a clearer perspective?
4. How did David respond to the news about Absalom? How does his response reveal his heart?
5. In chapter 19, how does Joab respond to David? Why does Joab speak to David this way? How would you describe David in this week's passage?
6. Like we discussed last week, David faces a lot of "unfortunate events" in his life. Does the character of David change in the events found in this week's reading? Explain your answer.
7. What can we learn about God from this week's scripture?
8. What can we learn about people from this week's scripture?

MY NEXT STEP:

Read verse 2 Samuel 18:34. In what ways is this verse similar to the gospel of Jesus?

PRAYER:

A core value of our church is 'Urgent Prayer.' Please be sure to include prayer in your group meetings.

Next Week's Sermon Title: A Series of Unfortunate Events: David's Last Words