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Sermon Discussion Questions
Sunday, May 11, 2025

"Humility and Confidence in Relationships"
1 Samuel 18 & 19
Pastor Clay Smith

1. **Why do you think our culture often idolizes the "self-made," independent person? How does that compare with what we see in David's life and the biblical vision for community?**

2. **Jonathan and Michal each took significant personal risks to protect David. Can you think of a time when someone protected or supported you in a difficult season? How did that impact your faith?**

3. **The sermon mentions that God uses friends to "bracket the evil" both around us and within us. What might it look like for you to allow a trusted friend to speak into areas of sin or struggle in your life?**

4. **Jesus is described as the ultimate faithful friend who "sticks closer than a brother." How does understanding Jesus in this way shape your view of friendship and your role in Christian community?**

5. **Jonathan made a covenant with David, pledging loyalty even at great personal cost. How does this covenant reflect the way Jesus has covenanted with us, and what does that teach us about the depth and nature of God's love?**