

ENDURANCE

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“Unstoppable” Series
Lifegroup Questions



INTRODUCTION

Very few of us enjoy long periods of waiting, especially when it is for the things in life that we really need or deeply desire. In fact for many of us, that is one of the most discouraging components of being a Christ follower. Sometimes you know that the thing you're asking God for is not a luxury but rather a critical necessity! And yet, there's still no indication when, or even if, it will finally come. Today we look at what it means to be unstoppable when you are in an unending wilderness, when your dreams seem to be on hold, and the message from heaven seems to be silence.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Read 1 Samuel 26:1-12. What stands out to you the most in this passage and why?
2. David had the opportunity to kill Saul but he knew that it was not a “God opportunity”. How do you distinguish between God opportunities vs. the devil’s schemes to sidetrack you in your own life?
3. Taking shortcuts, rather than waiting on God’s timing may ultimately cut you short from God’s purpose for your life. David availed space for God to work, and God showed up and took care of David’s problem with Saul. Tell a story about a time you waited on God and He showed up in a miraculous way.
4. David built his spiritual muscles by learning to trust God in good times and in bad. How is God currently building your own spiritual muscles and what are you learning from the experience of waiting on Him?
5. With God, none of our experiences are wasted! He uses them all to confirm our purpose. How has God turned your own challenges around in order to enhance and/or confirm your purpose and make you more effective in ministry?
6. On a scale of 1 to 10 (1 least/10 greatest), how would you rate your own endurance in difficult times? Do you stand strong or do you give up easily? Why?
7. What are you currently enduring that you need your lifegroup members to pray with you about and encourage you to continue to stand strong on?

CONCLUSION

Unstoppable people are built by endurance. When we encounter resistance or pain, we tend to get discouraged and want to give up but unstoppable people don’t give up, instead they turn to God, and are real with him. David learnt to depend on God whether things were good or bad. He learnt to trust in the Giver and not the gift! It’s time to rise up like David, who learnt not only how to survive his challenges but to harness them and do something positive with them; turning his test into a testimony! What will your testimony be?