

Bible Study
1 Samuel 18

1. Who is Jonathan? What does he do after Saul is done speaking with David in chapter 17? Why would he commit himself like that? Think back to your best friend. How did you develop a deep friendship with him or her? What were some of his or her characteristics?
2. What does Saul decide about David? What does Jonathan give David? Why? What does David do when he receives this equipment? Why was he so successful?
3. How do the women celebrate David's victories? What do they say? How does Saul respond to this celebration of David and his successes? Why? Why do some people feel threatened by people that seem to always be successful?
4. What rushes on Saul the next day? Where is David? What does Saul do? How many times does David evade him? Why would he stick around after the first incident? Why is Saul afraid of David? Where does he send David? How does Saul feel about David's success?
5. What does Saul offer David? Why would he make this offer? Why would David question this given the promise of Saul in chapter 17? Why does the offer fall through?
6. Who loves David? How does Saul feel about this? Why does he want to give her over to David as a wife? What does Saul's servants tell David?
7. How does David respond to the message from Saul? Why would he have this hesitation? When David's response reaches David, how does Saul respond? What does Saul want to happen to David? Why would David be happy about Saul's direction?
8. How many Philistines does David kill? What does he do with them? What does Saul give David for this feat? Why does Saul become more afraid of David?
9. What happens every time David goes to battle with the Philistines? What happens with David's reputation? What happens with Saul's?