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## LIFEGROUP RESOURCES: 04.27.25 Pulpit Curriculum

### The Painful End Begins

Main passage: 2 Samuel 17

#### RECAP OF DAVID'S LIFE:

##### 1) David's Strength

[1 Sam. 16; 1 Sam. 17:45-47; 2 Sam. 7]

- David was extremely faithful to God; He loved and trusted God fully even when he was being pursued by Saul for many years before ascending the throne as the next king of Israel.

A. Trust is active dependency, not a passive "Let go and let God" attitude. In times of great opposition and trial, what does trusting God look like in your life?

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B. John Calvin once said, "A dog barks when his master is attacked. I would be a coward if I saw that God's truth is attacked and yet would remain silent." Similarly, David stood up for the name of God when the Philistines were mocking the Lord and His people. Is your attitude apathetic towards those who mock God and blaspheme His Word? How should a follower of Christ handle hostility towards God or the mishandling of His truth? \_\_\_\_\_

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##### 2) David's Victory

[2 Sam. 5,6,7; Jer. 23; Ezek. 36]

- God reveals Himself through a *place* (OT-Jerusalem; NT- Local church), *presence* (OT-the Ark of the Covenant; NT-the Holy Spirit), and a *plan* (OT-the Davidic Covenant- NT- the great commission). At the beginning of David's reign, there was much victory over enemies and peace throughout the land because of God's promise to David.

C. When you experience success, who receives the credit first? God or yourself?

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##### 3) David's Grace

[2 Sam. 9; Eph. 1:8]

- David received much grace from the Lord, and then David shares God's covenant-kindness with others. Similarly, as we receive God's covenant faithfulness and grace, we need to share it to all.



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D. Who will you intentionally extend an extra measure of God's kindness to this week? Be prayerful in your approach. \_\_\_\_\_

4) **David's Fall**

[2 Sam. 11, 12, 15, 16; 1 Sam. 23:2]

- Despite David's extreme faithfulness, one moment of selfish indulgence with Bathsheba began the avalanche of destruction and demise in David's life and family.

E. Lust, like all sin, is only fed, never satisfied. What sin in your life was a direct result of an unwatched life and compromised soul, consistently gratifying your flesh instead of obeying God? \_\_\_\_\_

F. David was known for his dependence and prayerfulness in the high and low points of his life. How would you describe your prayer life and intimacy with God? What steps can you take to see growth in this area? \_\_\_\_\_