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1 Samuel 17

BIG IDEA: Every one of us has a _____ we must _____.

1. Goliath _____ the _____ of the army of Israel.

2. David lived from a _____ dominated by complete _____ in
_____ God _____ and _____ God can _____.

3. David trusted in the _____ he had _____.

Application:



Monday

READ: 1 Samuel 17:12-37

REFLECT: The Israelites thought Goliath was mocking them, but they were afraid and couldn't do anything about it. David knew Goliath was mocking God and he knew God would give him the strength to confront Goliath. Our perspective determines whether we run away from our giants in fear or run toward them in confidence.

RESPOND: How does trusting God's character change your perspective? Write down aspects of God's character that inspire you to defeat your giants and not be afraid.

Tuesday

READ: 1 Samuel 17:38-50

REFLECT: David was not concerned that Saul's armor did not fit. Why wear man's armor when he knew God was going to protect him? Likewise, we often trust too much in man's protection and ignore God's power to protect us. When we obey God by fighting His battles, we can be confident that He will protect us.

RESPOND: What battles is God asking you to engage in? Are you guilty of fighting God's battles with your own armor? How can you trust God rather than yourself?

Wednesday

READ: 1 Samuel 17:51-58

REFLECT: Although David received the praise for Israel's victory, he knew it was God who gave them the victory. When God helps us overcome giants, we can be tempted to think we were the ones who did it. But, we must be quick to give credit and praise to God for doing what only He can do!

RESPOND: Praise God for the victories in your life. Make a plan for how you will give Him credit when He performs the next victory in your life.

Thursday

READ: Psalm 91:1-13

REFLECT: The source of our security is God Himself, not our circumstances. When we trust in Him alone by obeying His guidance, we will experience protection and strength. Much like the area under a bird's wing, we can run to God for safety during times of danger and anxiety.

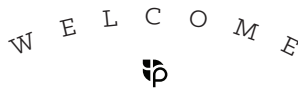
RESPOND: Are there circumstances in your life where you need God for safety and security? Spend time praying aloud to God about the challenges you face.

Friday

READ: Psalm 91:14-16

REFLECT: The writer of this psalm records God's promise to deliver those who love Him and trust in His guidance and protection. God has promised to respond to His people's cries for help. Our job is to trust that He will respond and to obey Him when He does.

RESPOND: Ask God to respond to your cries for help. Be ready and willing to obey His voice when He reveals Himself to you.



New here?

We're so glad you're here. We'd love to meet you, answer your questions, and help you get connected at PCC. If you're ready to learn more, we invite you to do any/all of the following:

1

Connect Card

We'd love to get to know you and help you get connected! Scan the code to fill out a digital Connect Card.



2

Guest Services

Stop by Guest Services in the lobby. We'd love to get acquainted, give you a welcome packet, and a gift. If you have questions, we have answers!

3

Intro

Join us for Intro where you'll hear Pathway's story, meet some staff, and learn about next steps. Scan the code to sign up.



21 Days of Prayer & Fasting

January 15 - February 4

In our first sermon series of 2024, Trust God in Uncertainty, we will focus on the life, experiences, and prayers of King David. David was "a man after God's own heart" — a man who lived through intense ups and downs — but ultimately he showed us how to live with deep trust in God.

Pathway will provide daily scriptures, devotions, and guidance through intentional time of prayer and fasting. You're invited to go on this 21-day journey with us. *If you have previously subscribed to Pathway's 21 Days of Prayer & Fasting, you are signed up for this year's daily emails automatically.*

Scan the code to sign up!



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- 4 | Tap GIVE on the PCC at Home app
- 5 | Drop your gift in the offering buckets or boxes



Ministries & Events JANUARY 2024

Scan the code for more information on these events



CHURCHWIDE

JAN 15 - FEB 4

21 DAYS OF PRAYER & FASTING

NEXT STEPS

FEB 3 | 5pm

INTRO

JAN 27+28

BAPTISM

GROUPS

JAN 14 | 11am

NEW GROUP LAUNCH

ONGOING
DAYS/TIMES VARY

LIFE GROUPS

ADULTS

JAN 25 | 6:30pm

PRAYING FOR OUR ADULT CHILDREN

MEN

JAN 22 | 7pm

MANDAY MONDAY

WOMEN

MONDAYS | 9am

WOMEN'S COFFEE & CONVERSATION

JAN 30 | 9am

MOM2MOM

MISSIONS & OUTREACH

JAN 13+14

FOOD PANTRY DONATION WEEKEND (Every 2nd Sunday)

MARRIAGE & PARENTING

JAN 11 | 6:30pm

CULTIVATE CONNECTION

JAN 21 | 11am

KINSHIP CAREGIVER COFFEE

JAN 29 | 6:30pm

RE|ENGAGE (Marriage Environment)

JAN 29 | 6:30pm

MERGE (Pre-Marriage Environment)

CARE & SUPPORT

TUESDAYS | 7pm

CELEBRATE RECOVERY

THURSDAYS | 6:30pm

MOM OF AN ADDICT

JAN 27 | 9am

INFERTILITY & LOSS SUPPORT

THRIVE

JAN 25 | 6:30pm

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE

JAN 25 | 7pm

PCC COLLEGE GATHERING

ONGOING
DAYS/TIMES VARY

LIFE GROUPS

STUDENTS

SATURDAYS | 5pm
SUNDAYS | 9+11am

PROJECT 5 (5th Grade)

WEDNESDAYS | 6:15pm

IMPULSE (Middle School)

SATURDAYS | 5pm
SUNDAYS | 9+11am

IMPULSE: DIGGING DEEPER

WEDNESDAYS | 7:30pm

IMPACT (High School)

KIDS

SATURDAYS | 5pm
SUNDAYS | 9+11am

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Next Steps

FOR THE NEW YEAR



Intro

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3 | 5pm

Intro is an hour-long gathering where you'll gain a greater understanding of Pathway's mission, values, and our strategy for your next steps. We'd love to get to know you, answer your questions, and help you get connected at Pathway.



Baptism

JANUARY 27+28

Baptism is a public demonstration of a personal commitment to follow Jesus Christ. If you've made a decision to follow Christ, we invite you to make a public profession of your faith through baptism.



Life at Pathway

FEBRUARY 11+18 | 9am

Are you ready to make a deeper connection at Pathway? In this two-week class we'll explore our core identities, which are the essentials for a full life found only in Jesus Christ. If you've been to Intro, this class is your next step!



Financial Peace University

THURSDAYS | JANUARY 25 - MARCH 21

FPU will provide you with a plan to achieve your financial goals. You'll learn practical steps to eliminate debt, build savings, and attain financial freedom. FPU graduates (those who attend seven out of nine sessions), will receive a full refund at the completion of the class!



New Group Launch

SUNDAYS | JANUARY 14-28

Are you ready to discover community at Pathway? As part of this three-week study, you'll get to know some new people and engage in guided conversation. This event is the perfect next step if you are looking to grow in your faith alongside other Christ-followers.



ManDay Monday

JANUARY 22 - MARCH 4 | 7pm

Guys—if you're looking for a group or you'd like to grow alongside other men, ManDay Monday 2024 has your name all over it. Starting January 22, we'll gather in the worship center for teaching time and table-group discussions.



Re|Engage

MONDAYS | JANUARY 29 - MAY 6

Whether you're looking for a little enrichment or for total transformation, ReEngage is for you. We encourage you to be part of it and take your next step toward a stronger, healthier marriage.



Merge

MONDAYS | JANUARY 29 - MARCH 25

This series of nine week classes is fun, real, interactive, and all about getting your marriage off to a great start. Merge is a great step toward a Christ-centered marriage, and we would be honored to walk beside you as you begin your journey.



Support Groups

Life is unpredictable. If you currently are faced with circumstances that are challenging or unexpected, there are places at Pathway where you can receive the support you need. Support groups include DivorceCare, GriefShare, Celebrate Recovery, Mom of an Addict, Infertility & Loss, and REBOOT.