

Why do you think David wants the assembly (of fellow Israelites) to know God doesn't save with sword and spear?

10) What might be some reasons God wants people relying on His power for service, ministry, and fruit bearing, and not just their own power?

### TAKING IT HOME

11) Looking back on this week's sermon and study, what is most important for you to remember or implement?

12) Is there any "fruit" you'd like to see God produce in you, as you continue to abide in Him?

### Prayer Requests

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## Life Group Homework For the week of November 29, 2020

### QUICK REVIEW

1) Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

### MY STORY

2) This week we read how the Israelites were (initially) too frightened to enter the Promised Land when they saw the size of the people and strength of their cities. If you were in their shoes, how do you think you would have reacted? Mark all that apply:

- Fearful (There's no hope, and no way out)
- Frustrated (Great, we were "saved" only to die here)
- Doubtful of God's love and care
- Confident that God can fulfill His promise
- Excited to see how God works
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

3) Most of the Israelites seemed to *forget* God's previous work of rescuing them from Egypt and crossing the Red Sea. List one or two works God has done for *you* that you want to remember when things get tough.

## DIGGING DEEPER

- 4) Abiding in Jesus means to strengthen your relationship with Jesus, by finding all you need in Him. It's been said that abiding in Jesus is like making little deposits into a bank account, so that when there is an emergency, you have stored up enough to get through that trial.

List some practical ways you are abiding in Jesus now, building up that relationship for when trials come.

- 5) List some practical ways you could do more of, in order to abide in Jesus more.

- 6) **Read Philippians 3:2-11.** In what ways does Paul choose not to trust in his accomplishments and works?

7. Sometimes we are afraid to move forward spiritually because of the giants up ahead, and our confidence is (incorrectly) in ourselves. Other times we are afraid to move forward because we are burdened by our past failures.

How might **Philippians 3:11-14** help you when feeling spiritually stuck?

- 8) The challenge in abiding in Christ is to stay connected consistently. What help do the following verses offer us for staying connected in our relationship with Jesus?

**Psalm 46:1-11.** (reference your bible)

**Psalm 42:1-2** - "[1] As the deer pants for the water brooks, So pants my soul for You, O God. [2] My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God?"

9. Read David's speech to Goliath in **1 Samuel 17:43-47**. Where was David's confidence? Why do you think David wants the world to know there is a God in Israel (v 46)?