

Women's Bible Study

What's in the Heart

A Heart of Friendship – 1 Samuel 18-20

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Intensive Study Questions

1 Samuel 18:1 Now when he had finished speaking to Saul, the soul of Jonathan was knit to the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul.

1. Read 1 Samuel 18-20.
2. List the major events in David's life recorded in this passage.
3. List some of the differences (in this passage) between David and Jonathan. (Bonus: Are there any other differences that might be relevant from other passages? Please note them and the reference).
4. List some of the similarities (in this passage) between David and Jonathan. (Bonus: Are there any other similarities that might be relevant from other passages? Please note them and the reference).
5. What do you think were some of the reasons David and Jonathan became such close friends?
6. Can you list a few friends with whom you have experienced a friendship as deep as David and Jonathan's? Even if you do not have friendships that are of the depth of David and Jonathan's, consider the close friends you have or have had, were these friends similar or different from you?
7. If you had trouble listing a few friends, do you need to take action to initiate some friendships? Were there any ideas from the lecture that might help you?
8. Following the lecture, your group might find some of the discussion questions (on the backside of this sheet) interesting to discuss.

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1. From the lecture, what was the most striking difference to you between David and Jonathan?

2. From the lecture, to what similarity between David and Jonathan could you best relate?

3. Can you list a few friends with whom you have experienced a friendship as deep as David and Jonathan's? Even if you do not have friendships that are of the same depth as David and Jonathan's, consider the close friends you do have or have had. Were these friends similar to or different from you?

4. If you had trouble listing a few friends, do you need to take some action to initiate some friendships? Were there any ideas from the lecture that might help you?

5. What was something from the lecture that really spoke to you regarding the issue of friendship?

