

**That All the Earth May Know**  
**1 Samuel 17:41-58**  
**October 18, 2020**

**I. The Battle Belongs to the Lord**

- A. V. 45 - God's battles concern God's \_\_\_\_\_ (Numbers 6:27).
- B. V. 46 - God's battles spread the \_\_\_\_\_ of God (Joshua 4:23-24).
- C. V. 47 - God's battles depend on God's \_\_\_\_\_ (Psalm 20:6-9).

**II. How can we fight the Lord's battles?**

- A. There is no such thing as conflicts with no spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. How do we go about fighting God's battles?
  - 1. Is there a platform to proclaim God's name?
  - 2. Is there a responsibility to fulfill God's call?
  - 3. Is there an opportunity to depend on God's power?
  - 4. Is there an obligation to obey God's law?

## **Group Discussion Questions**

1. Read 1 Samuel 17
2. In verse 45, David clearly believed it was God Goliath had defied, not Israel. What is the difference between people offending God and people offending people? Why is it important to know the difference?
3. Why does David say he was fighting this battle (V. 46)? How would defeating Goliath accomplish this? How can Christians today make God known throughout the whole earth?
4. David claimed it was his heart to teach Israel that God does not save “with sword or spear (V. 47).” What are today’s weapons of war you are tempted to use, instead of God’s power, when conflict and challenges arise?
5. How do you know the difference between God’s battles and our battles? For Christians, should there be a difference?
6. Pray for each other, that you all learn to fight the Lord’s battles and experience His victory. Review the Prayer Guide about prayer needs throughout the congregation.

## **Church Bible Reading Plan**

This Week: Read 2 Samuel 22-24

October Memory Passage: Ephesians 4:22-24

**Join us for Prayer: Tuesday Evenings at 7:00PM — Dial 701-802-5374 and at the prompt enter 5160582#**

**John 15:7**

***If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.***

**Our Vision: To create a culture of discipleship that leads to worship and compels us to be on mission.**

PRAY for us as a church family to grow in our devotion and our discipleship.  
 PRAY that we would be faithful in all our individual areas of ministry.  
 PRAY that God will draw many to Himself in this difficult time.  
 PRAY for YOUR ONE to be saved.  
 PRAY for the ASU West college ministry  
 PRAY for the AWANA ministry every Wednesday evening—and the need for Awana nursery helpers.  
 PRAY for the people of Puluk in Indonesia to have the opportunity to hear and respond to the Gospel.  
 PRAY for Dr. John and Karen T. as they return to their field of service on October 12  
 PRAY for Dr. Doug and Cheryl D. to be able to return to their field of service soon  
 PRAY for David and Comfort J. for safety in their field of service in Nigeria

**Our Mission: To Care as Jesus CARES:**

PRAY for God's protection from the COVID virus as we open the doors of Apollo Baptist  
 PRAY that we will love and encourage each other by reaching out to our membership.  
 PRAY that God will continue to use the FOOD BOX MINISTRY to bring people to Himself and that we will keep the food pantry stocked.  
 PRAY for the hospital workers, first responders and police officers to be drawn to God and to be filled with His strength, love, and ability.  
 PRAY for all our schools/teachers/administrators/workers in this school year with difficulties never before encountered.  
 PRAY for us all to be a source of light in the darkness of racial prejudice.  
 PRAY for our country and us to be godly citizens (Supreme Court process, the election process)  
 PRAY that we will each be faithful to give financially to Apollo Baptist Church so that we can have the funds to continuing ministering.

**Our Church Family:**

PRAY for Pastor Gary and our other pastors (Pastor Jim, Pastor Reginald, Pastor Brian) as they seek God's way to lead our church.  
 PRAY for our new intern, Juliana S., and her ministry.  
 PRAY for our deacons to be able to keep up with their families and contacts effectively.  
 PRAY for additional preschool volunteers to care for children once a month during the morning worship service.

**Pray For Our Church Family Needs:**

- Those struggling with fear and anxiety because of the pandemic
- Families who are grieving the recent loss of loved ones
  - The loss of Charity M's cousin, Johanna
  - The loss of Rebecca R's brother
  - The loss of Ray and Sue J's daughter-in-law, Lynette
  - Grief Share participants
- Those struggling with cancer issues:
  - Mary C. (breast cancer), Brenda R. (blood cancer and possible donors of bone marrow), Leroy D. (his brother)
- Those struggling with chronic health issues:
  - Michelle L. (migraines), Rezwana D (migraines), Mary R.(starting dialysis), Ruthie C. (severe weight loss), Jimmy (grandson of Raul and Cindy O. has autism), Laura M. (neck vertebrae with ruptured disc causing extreme pain), Larry D (brain bleed not completely healed), Gary F.(emotional and physical challenges), Rita H.(her sister has heart issues), Stan F. (mother and decisions regarding her care), Barbara B. (hospital), Ken R. (son and family have COVID), Mimi M. (home from hospital), Twyla H. (home from hospital)
- Those awaiting surgery:
  - Brenda R. (bone marrow transplant); Mary R. (mapping procedure-10/21 and surgery for dialysis)
- Those recovering from surgery:
  - Kevin M.(Vertebrae surgery), Butch L. (skin cancer surgery and infection), Jonathan B. (hand surgery)
- Those struggling with family relational issues:
  - Julia B. (family), Ketty B. (friend), Marge D. (a son)
- Those needing employment:
  - Larry S., Billy H.
- Others that you are aware of