

Class 4

5 May 2017



WARRIOR™

A CALL TO EVERY MAN EVERYWHERE



“...THEY WERE BRAVE WARRIORS, READY FOR BATTLE...”

I Chronicles 12:8

Warrior Training

(before 3 May)

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Group Discussion

Friendships

Why do we as men need close friends with whom we ...

- get together regularly?
- share our dreams and goals?
- are open about our battles, victories & defeats?

As men, why do we need friendships in which we ...

- hold each other accountable?
- call upon each other to follow Jesus and grow spiritually?
- encourage each other to keep going and never give up?

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Key Learning Points

Friendships

If we don't have deep friendships, we may be too cautious or waiting for someone else to initiate. We must go after them.

Our friendships must be based on a common love for God and our shared commitment to Jesus as Lord. This is the ROOT that brings about the FRUIT of fun times together.

With each relationship, we must ask ourselves “Does this relationship draw me closer to Jesus, his mission and his church?”

In deep friendships, we express emotions and affection

Then they kissed each other and wept together ... *1 Sam 20:41*

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Key Learning Points

Adventures and Exploits

Men are created to be different to women - let's enjoy our masculinity (as designed by God) and stop compromising and apologising for it

Men need real adventure where there is real risk and uncertainty - we need to be challenged to *think differently, act boldly and master new skills*

I love adventure and testing the limits physically, but I need to do it spiritually too

By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going.
– *Hebrews 11:8*

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Key Learning Points

The Battle of Fear

Feeling fear doesn't make me a coward – it means I am human. But to be a warrior for God I must face and overcome my fear with God's help

David acted to face Goliath out of concern for God's honour – God's honour must be my primary motivation to be a man of courage

To overcome fear I must **honour God, fear God and trust God**

For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a Spirit of power, love and self-control - *2 Tim 1:7*

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3. Plan two exploits/adventures from the **Battle Plan in ch 6** – one with you and God and one with another brother/s (share at next meeting)
4. Complete the **Battle Plan in ch 7** (share at next meeting)
5. Share your progress and what you are learning from the above, in your next **discipling time**

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What are the biggest battles you face?

Fear

Discouragement

Anger

Bitterness

Purity

Selfishness

Pride

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Warrior Reading Plan (updated)

5 - 14 April	:	Chapter 1
14 - 19 April	:	Chapters 2,3,4
19 - 3 May	:	Chapters 5,6,7
3 - 6 May	:	Chapters 8,9
6 - 17 May	:	Chapters 10,11,12
17 - 31 May	:	Chapters 13,14,(15/16/17)
31 - 3 June	:	Chapters 18,19

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My Warrior Commitment

I hereby commit to this group with the faithful goal to grow as a **Mighty Warrior** for my God.



I will make every effort to attend Warrior meetings



I will diligently prepare for Warrior meetings



I will eagerly and openly participate in Warrior discussions



I will commit to carry out Warrior decisions I make before the Lord



I will work on deepening friendships with other men in the group