

Sermon Title: The Win

Sermon Series: From Shepherd to King

**Sermon Scripture:** 2 Samuel 5:9-10; Philippians 4:11-13; 2 Samuel 6:16-22; 2 Samuel 5:18-19; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-19; 2

Samuel 9:6-9

**Sermon Synopsis:** So often in church we hear great sermons about how to deal with disappointment or how to handle the tests and trials of life. As important as those topics are, we don't regularly talk about how to live when success or power comes our way. One of the greatest challenges that David faced was how to handle the success that came his way. How do we continue to walk humbly before God even in the midst of great success?



## **ICEBREAKER**

What is your greatest success in life?

What is one of your less meaningful successes? (Examples would be something like winning a pieeating contest, beating a spouse or friend in a competition, or learning a new skill or talent.)





## **THINK & READ**

How does the world define "success"?

How would you define "success" as a Christian?

Have someone read 2 Samuel 6:16-22

What was David doing in this story?

How did Michal respond to David's actions?

How did David respond to Michal?

David taught us, "In your success, never lose sight of who you are without God."

Have someone read 2 Samuel 5:18-19

What can these couple verses teach us today?

David taught us, "In your success, never lose your connection with God."

Have someone read 2 Samuel 9:1-13



Are there certain people, or groups of people, in your life that you treat more poorly than others? Examples could be specific family members, people you like vs. people that annoy you, men vs. women, old vs. young, rich vs. poor, etc.

Why is it so difficult to treat everyone we encounter with the same love and respect?

David taught us, "In your success, never lose sight of people."



## **PRAYER**

If you are in a Small Group, take individual prayer requests from everyone. Then take some time to pray out loud for the people in your Small Group.

