**Churches-In-Homes   Week Beginning 17/01/2021**

**Notices:**

1. **Next Corporate Communion Service: Sunday, January 24, 10.00am**
2. **Night vigil, every Friday at 10.30pm:** Please note that the link & meeting ID below will be valid for all our night vigil meetings till further notice.

**Join Zoom Meeting (every Friday at 10.30pm)**

[**https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3199695478**](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3199695478)

**Meeting ID: 319 969 5478**

1. **Please let Amanda (**[**office@kcspc.org.uk**](mailto:office@kcspc.org.uk)**) know if you have read through the Bible.**

**Church YouTube channel**

If you subscribe to King’s Church St Paul’s Cray YouTube channel, with the option to receive notifications, you will be alerted when a new resource is uploaded.

The link below will take you to the Church YouTube channel.

<https://bit.ly/2BjG1Je>

If you do not have a google account you will need to find out how you may still subscribe. There are videos that explain how you may do so. Click on the link below to see an example.

<https://youtu.be/wuoCvxnFnlA>

**Title:** Faithful warrior - David

*Ref: 1 Samuel 17*

**Main points:**

David was a great warrior who became Israel’s greatest and most loved King.

His military career began when he killed Goliath. He became a great warrior because of his faith in God and faithfulness in finding out and doing the will of God.

God trained him. He was sent to look after sheep. That was where he received his training.

He killed the lion and the bear through God’s help. He obeyed God and faithfully defended the sheep when nobody would have blamed him if he had chosen to run away to preserve his own life. David trusted God and was not afraid to bravely engage the enemy in conflict.

**1 Samuel 17:34-37 & 45-51**

David acted in line with the promise of God to His people, as can be found in **Deuteronomy 20:1-4**

We can learn much from David.

* God trains and prepares each one of His willing and faithful children for the spiritual and moral conflict they will certainly face in this world, from spiritual forces of evil who also use humans to do their evil work. **Ephesians 6:10-18; 2 Corinthians 10:3-5**
* We must not give in to fear – David was a great warrior because he did not give in to fear.

**John 14:27; John 16:33**

* We must not be selfish or self-centred. Such people do not care about others. They choose self-preservation instead of trust in God and obedience to Him, so that they can be used to bless others. They end up gaining nothing that matters. **Matthew 16:24-27.**
* Repentance is very important. When David went wrong, he repented completely and was restored. Many people, including those who claim to be believers do not face their wrong doing squarely, as David did, and so may forfeit the blessings of forgiveness and restoration.

**Discussion points:**

Insight gained

Practical application