



PURSUE SERIES

6 - Pursue Your Enemy

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"Now David was greatly distressed, for the people spoke of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and his daughters. But David strengthened himself in the LORD his God. Then David said to Abiathar the priest, Ahimelech's son, "Please bring the ephod here to me." And Abiathar brought the ephod to David. So David inquired of the LORD, saying, "Shall I pursue this troop? Shall I overtake them?" And He answered him, "Pursue, for you shall surely overtake them and without fail recover all." (I Samuel 30:6-8, NKJV)

In our ultimate pursuit of _____, there are times when the Captain of our salvation leads us to pursue the _____!

"...violent men seize it by force [as a precious prize - a share in the heavenly kingdom is sought with most ardent zeal and intense exertion]." (Matthew 11:12, AMP)

THOSE THAT PURSUE THE ENEMY...

1. STRENGTHEN THEMSELVES WHEN IN _____.

"...David was greatly distressed...But...strengthened himself in the LORD his God. Then David inquired of the Lord." (verse 6)

2. _____ THEIR ENEMY

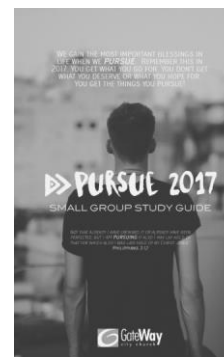
"And He answered him, "Pursue, for you shall surely overtake them...Then David attacked them from twilight until the evening of the next day. Not a man of them escaped..." (verses 8,17)

PURSUE THE ENEMY (Cont'd)

3. GET _____ BACK AND _____:

"David got back everything the Amalekites had taken...¹⁹ Nothing was missing...²⁰ Also David captured all the flocks and herds [which the enemy had], and the people drove those animals before him and said, This is David's spoil." (verses 18-20, NLT - AMP)

4. ARE _____ AND _____:



"So David and his 600 men set out, and they came to the brook Besor. But 200 of the men were too exhausted to cross the brook, so David continued the pursuit with 400 men." (verses 9-10, NLT)

God sent Jesus to pursue the enemy to set us free from fear and bondage.

"*Because God's children are human beings—made of flesh and blood—the Son also became flesh and blood. For only as a human being could he die, and only by dying could he break the power of the devil, who had the power of death.*

¹⁵ *Only in this way could he set free all who have lived their lives as slaves to the fear of dying.”* (Hebrews 2:14–15, NLT)

FATHER GOD, *help me to see that there is a time to pursue my enemy. Now is that time! Help me to stay Christ centered in this pursuit. Lord Jesus, you pursued me first. I believe that You love me and I ask You to forgive me of my sins. I receive Your love right now and confess you as my Lord and King. I accept the grace to walk out my relationship with you. In Jesus Name, Amen.*

GATHER, GROW and GO with us!

Don't do life alone. Everyone can either lead or join one of our small groups.