

# THE PASSION & PURSUIT

A STUDY OF THE LIFE OF DAVID

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**Title: "BFF"**

**Text: 1 Samuel 18:1-5**

**Target:** Friends become family when the reason for the relationship transcends selfishness and embraces sacrifice. Therefore, to become a BFF with someone is truly a gift from God.

**What is a BFF you might ask?**

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I. **A Bond of Endearment was Formed:**  
1 Samuel 18:1

- A. Common  
Courage: *"knit"*
- B. Continual  
Care: *"loved"*

II. **A Binding Enactment was Forged :** 1 Samuel 18:3

- A. Solemn Oath: *"made a covenant"*
- B. Sacrificial Offering: *"because he loved him"*

III. **A Birthright of Empowerment was Forfeited :**  
1 Samuel 18:4-5

A. **Bestowal of Achievement:**  
*"stripped"* (vs. 4)

- Robe- \_\_\_\_\_
- Armor- \_\_\_\_\_
- Sword- \_\_\_\_\_
- Bow- \_\_\_\_\_
- Belt- \_\_\_\_\_

B. **Blessing of Accomplishment:**  
*"successful"* (vs. 5)

**Note:** Just as David received the accomplishments from Saul's son Jonathon by grace, we received the reward of God's son Jesus' perfect righteousness.

**Take Away:** Today's challenge is to confront the reality that each one of us has the tendency to hear a message on Jonathon and David and immediately see ourselves as the \_\_\_\_\_ in the story. To be a BFF is to leverage everything you have for someone else's success, thus putting to death in you, **COMPARISON, COVETOUSNESS, COMPETITIVENESS**, thus making you more like Christ, the one true friend in the Story.