

BEGIN THE JOURNEY INTO EMOTIONALLY HEALTHY SPIRITUALITY

Part 2: Know Yourself that You May Know God 1 Samuel 17

THE PROBLEM OF EMOTIONALLY UNHEALTHY SPIRITUALITY

7 PATHWAYS

- 1. Know Yourself that You May Know God
- 2. Going Back in Order to Go Forward
- 3. Journey Through the Wall
- 4. Enlarge Your Soul Through Grief and Loss
- 5. Discover the Rhythms of the Daily Office and Sabbath
- 6. Grow into an Emotionally Mature Adult
- 7. Go the Next Step to Develop a "Rule of Life"

FALSE SELF-SYMPTOMS

- 1. I say "yes" when I really mean "no."
- 2. I get depressed when people are upset with me.
- 3. I have a need to be approved by others to feel good about myself.
- 4. I act nice on the outside, but inside "I can't stand you!"
- 5. I often remain silent in order to "keep the peace."
- 6. I believe that if I make mistakes, I myself am a failure.
- 7. I avoid looking weak or foolish for not having the answer.
- 8. I criticize others in order to feel better about myself.
- 9. I have to be doing something exceptional to feel alive.
- 10. I have to be needed to feel alive.
- 11. I am fearful and can't take risks.
- 12. I do what others want so they don't get mad at me.
- 13. I use knowledge and competence to cover my feelings of inadequacy.
- 14. I want my children to behave well so others will think I am a good parent.
- 15. I compare myself a lot to other people.

THREE OBSTACLES THROUGH WHICH DAVID CUTS

- 1. His Family (vv.28-31)
- 2. Significant Others With Authority and Experience (vv. 32-33)
- 3. Goliath (vv.41-44)

FOUR PRACTICAL PRINCIPLES TO BEGIN MAKING THE RADICAL TRANSITION TO LIVING FAITHFUL TO OUR TRUE SELF IN CHRIST

- 1. Pay Attention to Your Interior in Silence and Solitude
- 2. Find Trusted Companions
- 3. Move Out of Your Comfort Zone
- 4. Pray for Courage