

Brought Together, Torn Apart

The Cost of Unity in Christ

03.13.2022 w Rev. James Chuang w 1 Samuel 18:1-9

1. Covenant Love (1-5)
2. Covenant Betrayal (6-9)
3. Love vs. Pride

Conclusion: When our pride would threaten to elevate our self-interest over that of God's people, may we instead choose to honor God's will in love and loyalty to the body of Christ.

Sermon Later ...

1. In your experience, how often is it necessary to act against your own pride in order to love others? What is an example of this from your own life?
2. Is there someone who you would consider to be your "best friend," similar to how Jonathan loved David in our passage? To what factors do you attribute the closeness of your relationship?
3. When has pride become a threat to any of your personal relationships? What are some practices or disciplines that might help you resist the influence of pride?
4. Do you think that some people are prouder by nature than others? How would you assess your own vulnerability to pride?