

Six Battles Every Man Must Win

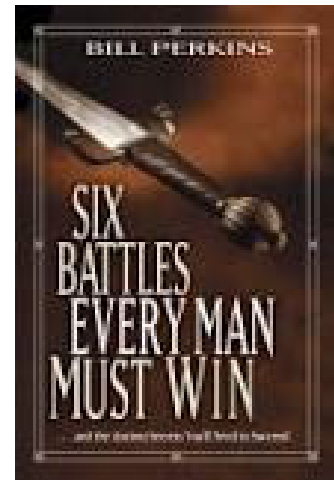
Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Series objective

The story of David's *Mighty Men* is based on stories found primarily found in 2 Samuel 23. Being *Mighty Men* is the main message for Christian men in *Six Battles Every Man Must Win* by Bill Perkins. These mighty men weren't drafted into David's army because of their impressive resumes. They were broken men who, given an opportunity to achieve greatness, responded like champions. In discussing *Six Battles Every Man Must Win* we'll discuss the six battles David's men fought, and how as men today we must win, to become powerful and effective warriors in God's Kingdom.

We'll cover the nine chapters in this book in three lessons:

- Chapters 1-3 (November 5th)
- Chapters 4-6 (November 19th)
- **Chapters 7-9 (December 3rd)**



Questions (Chapter 7: Q1 – Q3 | Chapter 8: Q4 – Q5 | Chapter 9: Q6 – Q7)

1. Chapter 7 discusses the 4th Battle – *fighting through our pain*. Pages 80 through 85 present three landmarks that include Lost Opportunities, Lost Relationships, and Lost Significance. Which of these three has been the most significant in your life and why?
2. James 1:14-15 provides a blueprint for how as men we go from evil thoughts to actually committing sin. The *Temptation Cycle* on page 90 identifies the four stages described below. What are steps you can take to break this cycle? We all need a plan. Remember that *failing to plan is planning to fail*.
 - a. Stage One: Enticement – The flesh is aroused
 - b. Stage Two: Conception – The will is activated
 - c. Stage Three: Birth – The sin is committed
 - d. Stage Four: Death – The relationship with God and others is lost
3. What things do we do as men to mask our pain?
4. Chapter 8 discusses the 5th Battle – *fighting for your friends*. Pages 105 through 114 present three friendship traits: (1) Focused Listener, (2) Big League Encourager, and (3) Courageous Risk Taker.
 - a. If you had the ideal friend, why traits would they have and why?
 - b. As a friend, which trait do you believe you best exhibit?
5. Most men admit they don't have even one close friend? Assuming we all agree friendship important, why do most men not make making friends a priority?
6. Chapter 9 discusses the 6th Battle – *fighting for a strong faith*. As followers of Jesus the most important thing in our life is faith. Our faith and belief in Christ and what He can do to change our lives is essential if we are to live victoriously over sin. On a scale of 1 (least) to 10 (greatest), where would you place your level of faith in God? Why?
7. On pages 130 through 133 we read about Spiritual Disciplines. Bill defines for us four Spiritual Disciplines: (1) Read the Bible, (2) Pray, (3) Express love for your family, and (4) Maintain Sexual purity. Which of these do you believe you do well and where are you the weakest? I realize this is a personal question, so share as you feel comfortable.