

Press on with Courage

1 Samuel 17:1-50



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Message Key: The Battle is the Lord's!

THE PLACE: The Valley of Elah.

THE SOURCE OF FEAR: G_____.

This went on daily for ___ days.

ENTER DAVID

Too young to serve in the Israeli army.

Tending sheep 10+ miles away from Bethlehem.

THE CHALLENGE: One on one c_____. "Winner take all!"

Giants want us to believe the L___ that we are on our own, and that we will never be victorious. Everyone else sees an enemy they can't defeat, but David sees an enemy God could defeat

What King Saul promises:

The Enemy Advances

We need to REMEMBER what David kept on his mind:

- God has been faithful to me in the past and he's going to keep being faithful!
- God has saved me from certain death
- God brought me this far

When your giants call your name:

- remember that God loves you
- remember that God is your strength.
- remember that you are not alone in Christ.

David was able to stand before Goliath unintimidated because he had more faith in God than he had fear of this giant.

David had total C_____ in his God,

"Let all this assembly may know the LORD does not deliver by sword or by spear; for the battle is the LORD's" 1 Samuel 17:47

APPLICATION:

The P_____ of counterfeit courage

* **The Goliath Way**- high self-esteem; take inventory of your resources...you banish fear...you visualize success.

The P_____ to true courage.

* **The David Way**- He doesn't say follow my example. He's a deliverer...a champion...He's a savior. He saves them not through his strength, but through his weakness. He saves them as a representative of his people...if he is defeated, they are defeated...whatever he did would be applied to them.

* **The Jesus Way**- Hebrews 11: Remember Abraham, Noah, Moses, David but F_____ your eyes on Jesus! The Author and Finisher of our faith!

Author = *archegon* = C_____.

David saved his people from physical death. Jesus saved us from eternal death.

David risked his life to saved his people. Jesus gave up His life to save us.

David went through the Valley of the Shadow of Death. Jesus conquered death for us.

And if you believe in Jesus, all of the great things that He does are imputed to you!