

# KILLING GOLIATH

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1 Samuel 17:34-36

David is the only one prepared to meet Goliath.

He is outraged at Goliath. vs. 26

David means "Beloved of God."

David became a prophet and a king.

Beloved for his;

Generosity, willingness to praise, repentant attitude and faith.

He is in a progressive cycle of faith common to believers.

Teaches us how to get ahead in life; whip the biggest and baddest in town.

James 4:7 *Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.*

## I. **The Lion And The Bear.** vs. 34-36

- A. Speaks of his experience in dealing with difficult situations.
  - 1. Testimony.
    - Rev. 12:11 *And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.*
  - 2. Gave God the credit.
- B. The bear.
  - 1. Represents seemingly overwhelming circumstances and problems.
    - a. Struggle. Bears are strong and larger than life.
      - [1.] Territorial.
  - 2. Stand on the Word. Eph. 6
    - a. Must be defeated or ignored.
      - [1.] Playing dead does not eliminate the problem.
      - [2.] Stops the progression of faith.
- C. The lion.
  - 1Pet. 5:8-9 *Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: :9 Whom resist steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.*
  - Ps. 22:13 *They gaped upon me with their mouths, as a ravening and a roaring lion.*
    - 1. The roaring critics, cursers and creators of conflict.
      - a. Use their mouths as a tool of destruction.
      - b. The lion is a predator.

2. Resist in the faith.
  - a. Prayer, forgiveness and confession.  
*Isa. 54:17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD.*

## II. Goliath.

You kill the bear and the lion in private but you'll have to kill Goliath in public. (No one had seen David kill the bear and lion, but everyone saw him kill Goliath.) A public battle.

- A. The personal victories promote us to greater challenges.
  1. Training bouts.  
*Song 2:15 Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for our vines have tender grapes.*
- B. Goliath was a giant.
  1. His name means, to expose. A public spectacle.
    - a. Satan wants to publicly defeat and embarrass you.
  2. Your public testimony is at stake when you take on Goliath. Lifestyle.
  3. Goliath was an intelligent equal, unlike David' previous foes.
  4. David was remarkably small in contrast with the giant.
    - a. Goliath was 11 1/2 feet tall, wearing a 216lb. coat and wielding a spear with a 26lb. spearhead.  
[1.] The Philistines were expert metallurgists.
    - b. David carried a slingshot and wore no armor. Armed only with his faith in God.
    - c. The giant was experienced.  
*1Sam. 17:33 And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou art but a youth, and he a man of war from his youth.*  
[1.] Just the kind of odds God likes.
    - d. David's faith and vision had been enlarged by his past personal victories.  
[1.] Faith to faith and glory to glory.  
[2.] He was not intimidated. vs. 43-45
    - e. A progressive victory.  
[1.] From servant (lunch carrier) to national hero.

### III. The Requirements And Results Of Defeating Goliath.

- A. Requires your own armor. vs. 38-39
  - 1. You cannot rely on the faith, anointing and testimony of others to defeat Goliath.
    - a. The king and army sat fearfully by as David took on Goliath alone.
  - 2. You must draw from your past victories.
- B. You must exhibit authority and superiority over the enemy. vs 46
  - 1. Confidence in the Word *The battle is the Lord's*. vs. 47 .  
Deut. 28:13 *And the LORD shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath;*
- C. You must take the fight to the enemy. vs.48
  - 1. You must be on offense.
  - 2. Can't fear confrontation.
- D. Resulted in;
  - 1. The inheritance of promise. vs. 25
  - 2. Promotion. Launched David's political career.
  - 3. Strengthened the others. vs. 52-53  
Luke 22:32 *But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.*
    - a. Others will see that God is a blesser of His people. vs. 46
  - 4. The enemy's weapons became a trophy.  
1Sam. 17:54 *And David took the head of the Philistine, and brought it to Jerusalem; but he put his Armour in his tent.*  
Col. 2:15 *Jesus openly (publicly) triumphed over the devil.*

Conclusion; Consider not your own powers, abilities and strengths, but stand on, and in the power of God.

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