

Weekly Sermon Outline

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How To Fight a Giant Part 1

I Samuel 17:45-50

Introduction: By studying the story of David and Goliath we can gain some insight into our own spiritual battle.

I. Meeting the Enemy

A. David's enemy

- 1. I Sam. 17:4-7**
- 2. large, fierce, experienced fighter - Goliath**

B. Our enemy

- 1. Eph. 6:12**
- 2. spiritual, crafty, ruler of the dark world - Satan**

II. God's people may not always be happy with you.

A. Why

- 1. Eliab was jealous about being passed over as king. (I Sam. 16:6-7)**
- 2. God may not be telling others what he is telling you.**

B. What to do

- 1. David stood firm and was not distracted from the task at hand. (v.29)**
- 2. We must remain focused if we are to win our battle.**

III. Past preparation for future feats

A. David's past prepared him for his current situation.

- 1. Killed a bear and a lion while tending sheep (vs.34-36)**
- 2. was now prepared to deal with Goliath (v.37)**

B. Our past can prepare us for our future.

- 1. Rom. 8:28 - God's blueprint for working in our lives**
- 2. ALL of our past can be used; the good, the bad, and the ugly**

IV. The great secret...Know Who you are and whose you are.

A. a servant of God

- 1. Saul's men had forgotten who they were (v.2 and v.8)**
- 2. David knew who he, and the battle, belonged to (v.46)**

B. a servant of God?

- 1. Satan knows who we are.**
- 2. We must ALWAYS remember that we, and the battle, are God's**

Conclusion: We have the power through the name of Jesus Christ to rebuke Satan and cause him to flee (Luke 4:31-37).

If we remain faithful, courageous, and identified we will win the battle.