

TIME TO SLAY GOLIATH

- 1 Samuel 17:32 32 And David said to Saul, "Let no man's heart fail because of him. Your servant will go and fight with this Philistine."
- 1 Samuel 17:36-37 36 Your servant has struck down both lions and bears, and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, for he has defied the armies of the living God." 37 And David said, "The Lord who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine." And Saul said to David, "Go, and the Lord be with you!"

A TIME FOR BATTLE

• 1 Samuel 17:3-4(a) - 3 And the Philistines stood on the mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on the mountain on the other side, with a valley between them. 4 And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath of Gath...

WHAT MADE GOLIATH SO INTIMIDATING?

• 1 Samuel 17:4-7(a) - 4 And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. 5 He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail, and the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze. 6 And he had bronze armor on his legs, and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders. 7 The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron.

GOLIATH WAS FIERCE AND CALLED OUT HIS OPPONENTS

• 1 Samuel 17:8-10 - 8 He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, "Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. 9 If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants. But if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us." 10 And the Philistine said, "I defy the ranks of Israel this day. Give me a man, that we may fight together."

GOLIATH PARALYZED HIS FOES WITH FEAR

• 1 Samuel 17:11 - 11 When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid.

WHAT IS YOUR GOLIATH?

EACH PERSON'S GOLIATH IS DIFFERENT

- 2 Timothy 3:12 12 Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted...
- Acts 14:22 22 ...strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying that through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God.

WHAT IS HOLDING YOU BACK?

• 1 Samuel 17:16 - 16 For forty days the Philistine came forward and took his stand, morning and evening.

THE EXCUSES OF MOSES

• Exodus 3:10-12 - 10 But Moses said to the Lord, "Oh, my Lord, I am not eloquent, either in the past or since you have spoken to your servant, but I am slow of speech and of tongue." 11 Then the Lord said to him, "Who has made man's mouth? Who makes him mute, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? Is it not I, the Lord? 12 Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall speak."

DAVID VS SAUL – ARE YOU IN A RIGHT RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LORD?

THE FALL OF SAUL

- 1 Samuel 15:3 3 Now go and strike Amalek and devote to destruction[a] all that they have. Do not spare them, but kill both man and woman, child and infant, ox and sheep, camel and donkey.
- 1 Samuel 15:13-15 13 And Samuel came to Saul, and Saul said to him, "Blessed be you to the Lord. I have performed the commandment of the Lord." 14 And Samuel said, "What then is this bleating of the sheep in my ears and the lowing of the oxen that I hear?" 15 Saul said, "They have brought them from the Amalekites, for the people spared the best of the sheep and of the oxen to sacrifice to the Lord your God, and the rest we have devoted to destruction."

THE FALL OF SAUL

• 1 Samuel 15:26-28 - 26 And Samuel said to Saul, "I will not return with you. For you have rejected the word of the Lord, and the Lord has rejected you from being king over Israel." 27 As Samuel turned to go away, Saul seized the skirt of his robe, and it tore. 28 And Samuel said to him, "The Lord has torn the kingdom of Israel from you this day and has given it to a neighbor of yours, who is better than you.

• 1 Samuel 16:14 - 14 Now the Spirit of the Lord departed from Saul, and a harmful spirit from the Lord tormented him.

THE RISE OF DAVID

• 1 Samuel 16:12-13- 12 And he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. And the Lord said, "Arise, anoint him, for this is he." 13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of the Lord rushed upon David from that day forward. And Samuel rose up and went to Ramah.

ARE YOU IN A RIGHT RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LORD?

- Are You Living By the Flesh?
- Romans 8:5-8 5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. 6 For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. 7 For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. 8 Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.
- Proverbs 14:12 There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way to death.

ARE YOU IN A RIGHT RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LORD?

- Are you living for the Lord and honoring him in your life?
- Galatians 2:20 20 I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.
- 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, 20 for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

TAKE ACTION – SLAY GOLIATH

• 1 Samuel 17:46-47 - 46 This day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head. And I will give the dead bodies of the host of the Philistines this day to the birds of the air and to the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, 47 and that all this assembly may know that the Lord saves not with sword and spear. For the battle is the Lord's, and he will give you into our hand."

TAKE ACTION – SLAY GOLIATH

• 1 Samuel 17:48-50 - 48 When the Philistine arose and came and drew near to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. 49 And David put his hand in his bag and took out a stone and slung it and struck the Philistine on his forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the ground.50 So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and struck the Philistine and killed him. There was no sword in the hand of David.

YOU CAN BE LIKE DAVID AND SLAY YOUR GOLIATH

 Goliath may seem big but remember the Lord does not see as men see.

• 1 Samuel 16:7(b) - For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart."

YOU CAN BE LIKE DAVID AND SLAY YOUR GOLIATH

- Just like David your confidence is in the Lord for victory.
- Philippians 4:13 13 I can do all things through him who strengthens me.
- Romans 8:37 37 No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.
- John 16:33 33 I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."