

SLAYING the GIANTS



1 Samuel 17:40-50

First Samuel 17 gives us a formula
for defeating the giants in our own lives.

⁴ There were giants on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of men and they bore *children* to them. Those *were* the mighty men who *were* of old, men of renown.



Genesis 6:4 NKJV

33 There we saw the giants
(the descendants of Anak came from the giants);
and we were like grasshoppers in our own
sight, and so we were in their sight."



Numbers 13:33 NKJV

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Deuteronomy 3:11 NKJV

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I Chronicles 20:6 NKJV

DAVID, THE

GIANT

SLAYER

1 Samuel 17



A FORMULA FOR
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1 Samuel 17



**What Giants are Defying God
in Your Life?**

Criticism

Opposition

Public Opinion



Discouragement

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How Does David React?

1 Samuel 17

Then David said to Saul, "Let no man's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine."



1 Samuel 17:32 NKJV

**And all the men of Israel,
when they saw the man,
fled from him and were dreadfully afraid.**



1 Samuel 17:24 NKJV



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**1. David cared about what others said about the
God of Israel.**

And David believed that God would stand with him
when he stood up against those who opposed God.
Just as Jesus confronted even the religious leaders
when they opposed God.



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Secondly, David thought more of others than of self.

If you'll note his response to Saul, David said,
**“Don't let anyone be discouraged by him;
your servant will go and fight this Philistine!”**

**Don't just look out for your own interests,
also be concerned about the interests of
others. (PHP 2:4)**



Philippians 2:4 NKJV

Skepticism

Opposition

Criticism



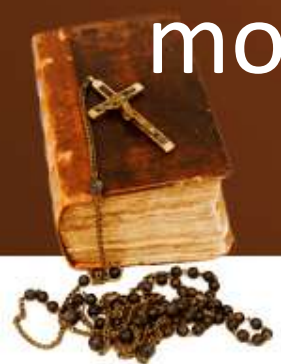
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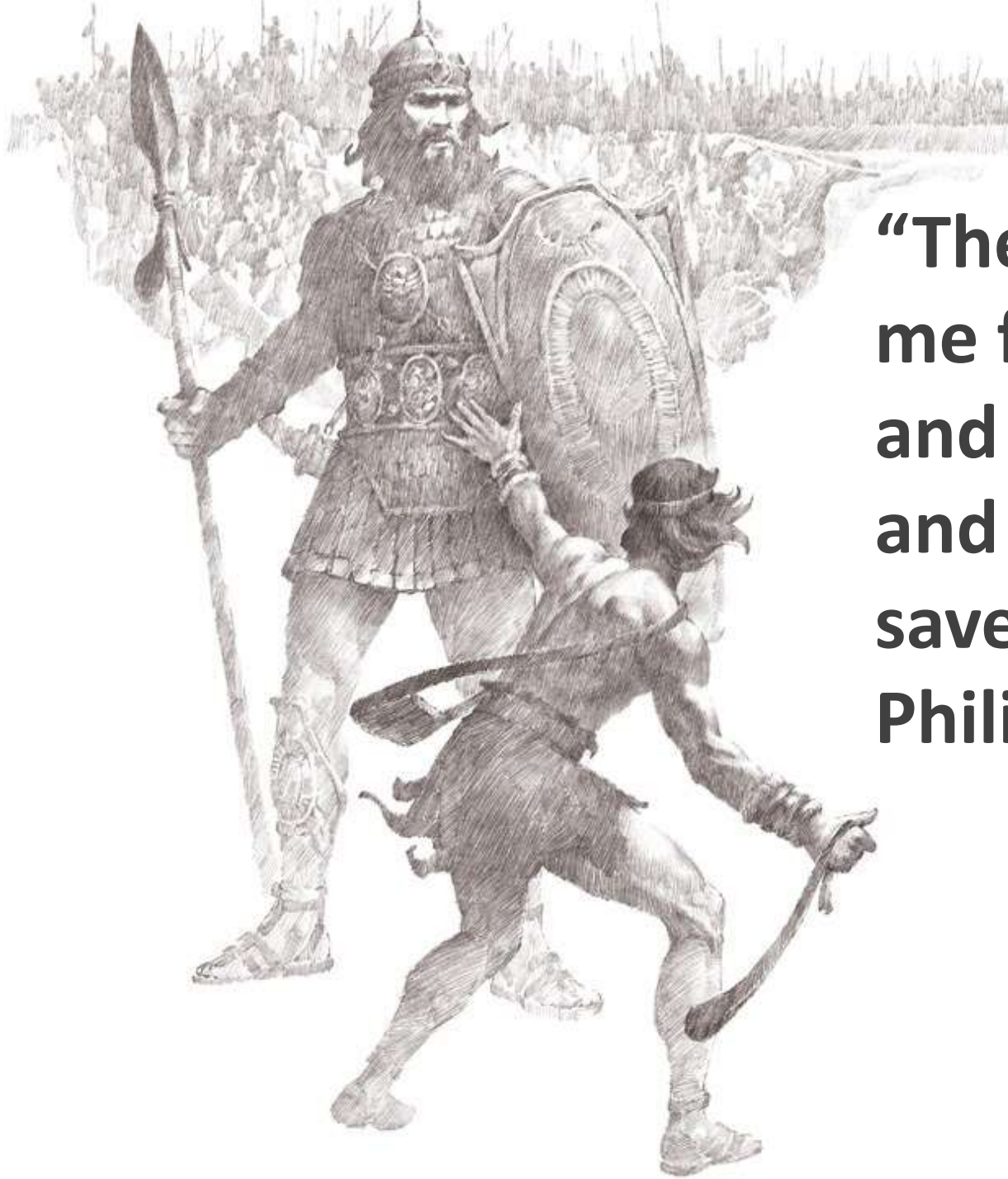
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David does not let the skepticism and criticism of others undermine his confidence in God.

Your servant has been a faithful shepherd watching over his father's sheep and when a lion or a bear came and took a lamb out of the flock he didn't just stand back and watch like a hired hand. No, he knew what his father expected of him, and he went after the thief and knocked it to the ground, and rescued the lamb from its mouth, and if the animal rose up, and turned on him, he'd kill it.



1 Samuel 17:34-35 (my paraphrase)



“The Lord who saved me from the claws and teeth of the lion and the bear will save me from this Philistine.” (17:37)

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1 Samuel 17:33-40

Saul tries to convince David that he needs
more than God to defeat the Goliath.

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Things we can do to defeat the giants in our own lives.

Stand up for what you believe!



**DONALD
TRUMP**

OR

**HILLARY
CLINTON**



Don't let the giants of the media empires, or the giants in the political arena...



cause you to run from the fight.

**THE BATTLE
BELONGS TO THE LORD**

1 Samuel 17



The image features a warm, golden-brown sunset background. In the foreground, there are two silhouettes against a dark horizon line. On the right, a large warrior stands with a spear in his right hand and a shield on his left arm. On the left, a much smaller child stands with arms raised, holding a small object. The overall mood is one of contrast and spiritual significance.

THE BATTLE BELONGS TO THE LORD

2 Chronicles 7:14

**if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves,
and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I
will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.**

You come to me with a sword, with a spear,
and a javelin, But I come to you in the
name of the LORD of HOSTS, the GOD of
the armies of Israel, who you have defied.
This day the LORD will deliver you into my
hand... and all shall see that the LORD does
not save with sword and spear; for the
battle is the LORD's.



1 Samuel 17:43 (NKJV)

The image features a golden, hazy background with silhouettes of two figures. On the right, a large, muscular warrior (Goliath) stands with a spear and a shield. On the left, a much smaller figure (David) stands with a slingshot. The scene is set against a dark, silhouetted horizon line.

THE BATTLE BELONGS TO THE LORD

1 Samuel 17

So what did David do?

What did David do?

David stood up and opposed those who opposed God.

David confessed his faith in God and acted upon it.



1 Samuel 17:48 (NKJV)

“When the Philistine arose and came and drew near to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine.”



1 Samuel 17:48 (NKJV)

What did David do?

David wasn't afraid of the fight.



1 Samuel 17:48 (NKJV)

**When we Put our Confidence in God and
His Word, we know that God will never
leave us nor forsake us!**

Matthew 28:20 / Hebrews 13:5

**“Lo, I am with you always,
to the end of the age.”**

“I will never leave you nor forsake you.”



Matthew 28:20, Hebrews 13:5

When we Put our Confidence in God and His Word, we are more than conquerors!

Romans 8:37

“More than conquerors through Him loved us.”



Romans 8:37 (NKJV)

**When we Put our Confidence in God and
His Word, we can do all things!**

Philippians 4:13

**“I can do all things through Christ
who strengthens me.”**



Philippians 4:13 (NKJV)

DAVID'S CONFIDENCE WAS IN GOD

When we Put our Confidence in God and His Word, we know that God who is in us Is greater than he who is in the world!

1 John 4:4

“Greater is He that is in me than he that is in the world.”



1 John 4:4 (NKJV)

What did David do?

David's confidence was in God



1 Samuel 17:48 (NKJV)

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I know who I am, and I know who I belong to. I am a child of the living God. Nothing can defeat me as long as the Lord is for me.

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Philippians 4:13