

Defeating Your Intimidating Giants

1 Samuel 17

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Introduction

1 Samuel 17 - David and Goliath

³² David said to Saul, “Let no one lose heart on account of this Philistine; your servant will go and fight him.” ³³ Saul replied, “You are not able to go out against this Philistine and fight him; you are only a young man, and he has been a warrior from his youth.”

³⁴ But David said to Saul, “Your servant has been keeping his father’s sheep. When a lion or a bear came and carried off a sheep from the flock, ³⁵ I went after it, struck it and rescued the sheep from its mouth. When it turned on me, I seized it by its hair, struck it and killed it.

³⁶ Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. ³⁷ **The Lord who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine.**” Saul said to David, “Go, and the Lord be with you.”

⁴⁸ As the Philistine moved closer to attack him, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet him. ⁴⁹ Reaching into his bag and taking out a stone, he slung it and struck the Philistine on the forehead. **The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell facedown on the ground.**

Main idea: You can’t defeat your intimidating giants on your own. You must trust God to bring the victory!

4 Steps God Uses To Defeat Your Intimidating Giants

1. Confront the giants instead of cowering in fear.

³² David said to Saul, “Let no one lose heart on account of this Philistine; your servant will go and fight him.”

2. Realize the battle is the Lord’s and you must depend on Him for victory.

⁴⁷ All those gathered here will know that it is not by sword or spear that the Lord saves; for the battle is the Lord’s, and he will give all of you into our hands.”

3. Remember God’s past victories to give you assurance for His present victories.

³⁷ The Lord who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine.”

4. Obey God and trust Him to bring the victory.

See verses 48-49