



KILLING YOUR GOLIATH

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1 SAM. 17:48-54

The Bible reveals to us that the army of God was at a stand still because of a giant by the name of Goliath. “When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid. v. 1 Goliath had challenged the army of God to choose one man to fight with him. “... I defy the ranks of Israel this day; give me a man that we may fight together.” V. 10 The devil will send Goliath to you, but this fight is man to man Combat. You and Goliath. “... give me a man that we may fight together.” v. 18 Goliath was able to impart fear into the hearts of Saul’s army and even in the king’s heart. No one wanted to confront the giant or fight him because they were afraid of Goliath. A spirit of fear filled their hearts! Many Christians today are living in fear and are afraid of the devil. The Bible says that Goliath mocked , laughed and challenged the army of God for 40 days. “For forty days the Philistine came forward every morning and evening and took his stand.”

v.16 The army of God could not advance forward because Goliath was standing in their way. One giant was stopping the move of God! God’s army had lost their faith in God and they were all terrified of Goliath. Saul’s army is a type of carnal Christians who have lost faith in Jesus and are satisfy where they are at. Just like Saul’s army who were stuck on one side of the mountain while Goliath stopped them from fighting and going forward and taking the land and defeating their enemy. This is a Christian that has drifted away from God and who has lost the will to win because he is convinced that he cannot kill his Goliath. The cry of these Christians is ‘I cannot have victory over anger, bitterness, lust, self-pity, a bad habit, or sin.’ Goliath had God’s army at a standstill for 40 days. How long has satan had you at a standstill doing nothing for God? What giant is keeping you from going forward in your Christian life, marriage or ministry? David is a type of Christian who is trusting God with all his heart and is serving Jesus with courage.

He knows that the Christian walk is a walk of faith. There comes a time in the life of some Christians that they reach a point in their lives that they become like Saul's army. Discouraged, defeated, and afraid to fight the devil. This happened because of failure, sin, doubt, or drifting away from God. You are confronted by Goliath but because you have lost the will to win you do nothing and the giant has stopped you from doing God's will for months or even years. But thank God that we have Jesus in our hearts (a type of David), that is willing to run to the battle field and confront Goliath and kill him. There are two things we can do when Goliath stands in our way. Run away from him like Saul's army did. "When the Israelites saw the man, they all ran from him in great fear." v. 24 You can be like David who ran to the battle line to fight Goliath! "As the Philistine moved closer to attack him, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet him." v. 48 What is stopping you from doing God's will for your life? It is time for us to run to the battle line like David and fight our Goliath and to kill him.

HOW CAN WE KILL GOLIATH?

OBEDIENCE



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God gave a command to David through ³ his father Jesse. (1Sam. 17:17-20)

'So David arose early in the morning and left the flock with a keeper and took the supplies and went as Jesse had commanded him. And he came to the circle of the camp while the army was going out in battle array shouting the war cry.' v. 20 David obeyed his father and went to the battle front with supplies and little did he know that God was going to use him to kill a giant that was stopping the flow of God. If you obey God and do what He commands you to do, He will also help you in killing your Goliath. God does his part and you do your part.

God's part was to knock Goliath down, but it was David's part to cut off his head. Because of disobedience to God's Word many Christians are living a defeated life, full of fear and condemnation, and not prospering. Goliath continues to mock them and they become his slaves because of their fear that they cannot kill that giant.

If we obey God and go to the battle line and confront our Goliath then God will help us to destroyed the giant. God helped David to kill his Goliath and He will also help us. Because David obeyed his father, he found himself in the front lines and heard Goliath mocking God. God inspired David to run to the battle line to kill Goliath. In the same way God is saying to you "If you obey Me and do what I'm commanding you, your giant will also fall and you will kill him and cut off his head. The anointing of God will be upon you once again. If you want your fight back than you must start obeying the Word of God once again in your life. The anointing of the Holy Spirit upon your life will destroyed

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whatever spirit has come against you or your family. Fear, lust, bitterness, greed, and so on. **THE JESUS IN YOU WILL RISE UP ONCE AGAIN AND YOU WILL BECOME A GIANT KILLER.**

HOW CAN WE KILL OUR GOLIATH?

FAITH



You must believe that God wants to help you to kill your Goliath. David trusted God with all his heart and he understood that God was going to kill Goliath through him. “This day the Lord will deliver you up into my hands and I will strike you down and remove your head from you. ...” V. 46 Faith is believing God with no questions asking Him how, why or when. God told David, “This day” I am going to deliver Goliath into your hands. Today and not tomorrow God wants you to destroy your Goliath. You have been wasting too much time running away from your Goliath and Jesus is saying, “Today is the day that your Goliath will be killed.” David ran to the battle-line and slung his sling shot and knocked down Goliath. David put his hand into his bag and took from it a stone and slung it and struck the Philistine on his forehead, and the stone sank into his forehead, so that he fell on his face to the ground.” V. 49 God will also help you to knock down your Goliath. But you must also cut off the head of the giant. “Then

David ran and stood over the Philistine ⁴ and took his sword and drew it out of its sheath and killed him, and cut off his head with it ” V. 51 This means that whatever your Goliath was in your life, you must totally destroy it. This you have to do on your own. It is your will to do it if you want Goliath dead. The spirit of Goliath is a demon that must be totally destroy if you want to go forward in your Christian life, in ministry or in your marriage. Remember, today we are fighting a spiritual war. We do not wrestle with flesh and blood. When you kill your Goliath all of the other demons that were supporting him will flee from you. Jesus will give you total victory and only than can you advance in your Christian walk, marriage or ministry. “... When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled.” V. 51 “The men of Israel and Judah arose and shouted and pursued the Philistines ...” V. 52 Only after Goliath was slain was there a break through. David imparted to Saul’s army his anointing and courage and his fighting spirit when he killed Goliath. The army of Saul came against the Philistine army and defeated them.

HOW CAN WE KILL OUR GOLIATH?

COMMITMENT

After David killed Goliath he had evidence that Goliath was dead. He had the head of Goliath in his hand as evidence. David was committed to go all the way in his fight against Goliath. You must be committed to also go all the way when God tells you to kill your Goliath. You cannot stop half way in your fight, Goliath must die and you must also have his head in your hand. “Then

David took the Philistine's head and brought it to Jerusalem, ..." V. 54 "... and brought him before Saul with the Philistine's head in his hand. If you have really killed Goliath, people will also see you with Goliath's head in your hand. This means that there will be evidence that you have killed your Goliath. There will be fruit in your life! If anger was your Goliath people will see self-control, love and kindness in you. If lust was your Goliath people will see purity and godliness in you. If bitterness was your Goliath people will see forgiveness and love flowing from your heart. If the fear of failure was your Goliath you will have faith and courage in your heart now. If running from God's calling was your Goliath then you will

respond to His call like Jonah did. Whatever your Goliath was, you will have his head in your hand like David did. You are now a giant killer!! What is your Goliath that must be killed in your life?

CONCLUSION:

How can we kill Goliath? You must have Faith in God. You must have Commitment. "Then David ran and stood over the Philistine and took his sword and drew it out of its sheath and killed him and **CUT OFF HIS HEAD** with it, ..." V. 51