

# The Life of David: The Battle is the LORD's; 1Samuel16,17

## 1. David and Goliath

- A. The Fear of \_\_\_\_\_ and Israel (*vs. 11, 23-24*)
1. Israel's \_\_\_\_\_: 500 yrs; Eli judged, then God raised up Samuel, even w/ him, they continued to rebel against God (*1Sam8:5,7-8*)
  2. Saul's \_\_\_\_\_: *1Sam13:13-14; 15:11, 13,14, 21-24* – *Saul would not obey the LORD*  
\*He feared man, would not follow the Lord, but came up with his own plans
  3. **KEY:** The consequences of disobeying God and loving the world (*Deut.28:1-2,7,9-10 versus 28:15,25; not even weapons for the nation – 1Sam13:19-22*)
- B. Goliath – armor – over \_\_\_\_\_ lbs; spear head – \_\_\_\_\_ lbs; over 9 and ½ ft tall!!!  
\*Champion – a man \_\_\_\_\_ the camps, was the man to fight on behalf of his nation; a professional killer; this was his life – killing people! goes into valley to blaspheme God, people
- C. David – *1Sam17:33,42*; ruddy – red tone; age probably 15, Josephus says 10; he was young, small
1. *Acts13:22; 1Sam16:18* – he is known for being after God's heart, and the Lord was with him!
  2. Weapons: a staff and a sling – those of a shepherd, wouldn't use Saul's armor

## 2. David Fights Goliath

- A. Why Would David Fight Goliath? *17:26,45*
1. David \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord, walked with Him and was appalled that anyone would blaspheme Him!
  2. Consider Jesus – *John2:15-17* \_\_\_\_\_
- B. How Did David Know He Would Win?
1. He knew God would \_\_\_\_\_ for His own glory and to make His name known in all the earth!  
\**1Sam17:45-47* – this is THE reason he tells Goliath that he will defeat him  
\*David remembered his history – Moses and Egypt, always to be remembered in Israel  
**WHY** did God harden Pharaoh? \_\_\_\_\_
  2. David walked with God and had a real, \_\_\_\_\_ relationship w/ Him! *1Sam17:31-37*  
\*David had experienced God practically in his life – he **knew** the Lord as warrior!  
\***THINK:** a young boy, teen, killing a lion w/ his bare hands!  
\***KEY:** as we experience God in our lives, those help us w/ what comes next!
- C. God gives David victory! *1Sam17:48-51* – *notice David's complete confidence!*

## 4. The Battle is the LORD's (What does this have to do with us?)

- A. Personal battles - Would God give us something greater than what we can handle? \_\_\_\_\_
1. consider David, Daniel? 3 Amigos? Moses delivering Israel from Egypt?
  2. God is with us; we come to know Him personally in these times!
- B. The Purpose of this Story – *Acts13:22-39* (\**vs.36*) (*also seen in Acts7*)
1. \***God** was fulfilling His plan for Messiah from Gen3:15... Abraham, Joseph in Egypt, Moses w/ Israel in Egypt – Passover Lamb! Ruth and Boaz in time of judges...**Messiah!**
  2. **Two** \_\_\_\_\_: God's and the World/Satan - What is the battle here in 1Samuel17 about?  
\*It is about the glory of God and the will/plan of God for the ultimate salvation of man
  3. **Jesus:** I will build My church and the gates of hell will not prevail against it. Jesus is on the offensive!!! \*David is on the offensive, vs.48
  4. **Who will stand?** Apostles and Paul and others through the ages; BUT what about NOW!  
\*The church today is like Israel in this story – afraid and loving the world  
\*Who will stand and fight for God's glory and will?!!! *Matt.28:18; 2Cor10:3-6; Rev19:11-21*