# Mighty Men of God

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If you haven't noticed by now, biblical manhood is under attack. Satan has waged war against men and especially against Fathers. This Father's Day, let us renew our commitment to being Mighty Men of God!

#### **INTRO**

## 2 Samuel 23:8-17 ESV

<sup>8</sup> These are the names of the mighty men whom David had: Josheb-basshebeth a Tahchemonite; he was chief of the three. He wielded his spear against eight hundred whom he killed at one time. <sup>9</sup> And next to him among the three mighty men was Eleazar the son of Dodo, son of Ahohi. He was with David when they defied the Philistines who were gathered there for battle, and the men of Israel withdrew. <sup>10</sup> He rose and struck down the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clung to the sword. And the LORD brought about a great victory that day, and the men returned after him only to strip the slain. <sup>11</sup> And next to him was Shammah, the son of Agee the Hararite. The Philistines gathered together at Lehi, where there was a plot of ground full of lentils, and the men fled from the Philistines. <sup>12</sup> But he took his stand in the midst of the plot and defended it and struck down the Philistines, and the LORD worked a great victory. <sup>13</sup> And three of the thirty chief men went down and came about harvest time to David at the cave of Adullam, when a band of Philistines was encamped in the Valley of Rephaim. <sup>14</sup> David was then in the stronghold, and the garrison of the Philistines was then at Bethlehem. <sup>15</sup> And David said longingly, "Oh, that someone would give me water to drink from the well of Bethlehem that is by the gate!" <sup>16</sup> Then the three mighty men broke through the camp of the Philistines and drew water out of the well of Bethlehem that was by the gate and carried and brought it to David. But he would not drink of it. He poured it out to the LORD <sup>17</sup> and said, "Far be it from me, O LORD, that I should do this. Shall I drink the blood of the men who went at the risk of their lives?" Therefore he would not drink it. These things the three mighty men did.

## MIGHTY MEN OF GOD...

- 1) ...STAY DISCIPLINED AND PREPARED.
- 2)...STAND THEIR GROUND NO MATTER THE CROWD.
- 3)...KNOW WHERE VICTORY COMES FROM.

#### **CLOSING**

- WE MAY NOT BE WAGING WAR AGAINST OTHER NATIONS, BUT WE ARE IN A WAR AGAINST A VERY REAL ENEMY.
- LET US COMMIT TO BEING MIGHTY MEN OF GOD WHOM THE LORD USES TO BRING VICTORY TO OUR FAMILIES!