



## **DAVID AND GOLIATH.**

“THE LORD WHO DELIVERED ME FROM THE PAW OF THE LION AND FROM THE PAW OF THE BEAR WILL DELIVER ME FROM THE HAND OF THIS PHILISTINE.”

**1 SAMUEL 17:37**

### KEY PLAYERS:

1. The PHILISTINES.
2. The ISRAELITES.
3. GOLIATH – the PHILISTINE champion.
4. DAVID – the SHEPHERD, son of Jesse.

### UNDERSTANDING THE BATTLE:

- The OFFENDED party → The Living GOD
- The OFFENDING party → GOLIATH
- The OFFENSE → Goliath’s WORDS were an ASSAULT on the LIVING GOD
- Goliath’s technique → Intimidation by OUTWARD APPEARANCE
- Israeli army reaction → Flee out of FEAR
- DAVID’S response → Healthy SHOCK, ANGER, and resolve
- The war HERO → The Living GOD

### MARKERS OF DAVID’S RESPONSE: (vv. 31-37; 45-47)

- FAITHFUL SERVICE, rooted in his AWE of the Living God
- CONFIDENT ACTION rooted in his unwavering TRUST in the Living God’s powerful hand.

### THE HOPE OF DAVID AND GOLIATH:

- “... that ALL the EARTH may know... the LORD saves.” (vv. 46-47)

### BOTTOM LINE:

God is the HERO of our STORIES, not us.

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### QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

1. How were you challenged or encouraged by our study tonight?
2. When you are faced with something that offends the Living God, how do you respond?
3. Which of the markers of David’s life are markers of your life? Where do you need to grow?
4. What is your hope for your family, your school, your workplace?
5. What can we learn and take away from our study tonight?