



PERSPECTIVE

You Are Beyond Ordinary Pt 2

1 Samuel 17

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(v. 20) *Early in the morning David left the flock in the care of a shepherd, loaded up and set out, as Jesse had directed. He reached the camp as the army was going out to its battle positions, shouting the war cry.*

(v. 21) *Israel and the Philistines were drawing up their lines facing each other.*

(v. 22) *David left his things with the keeper of the supplies, ran to the battle lines and asked his brothers how they were.*

(v. 23) *As he was talking with them, Goliath, the Philistine champion from Gath, stepped out from his lines and shouted his usual defiance, and David heard it.*

(v. 24) *Whenever the Israelites saw the man, they all **FLED** from him in great fear.*

(v. 25) *Now the Israelites had been saying, "Do you see how this man keeps coming out? He comes out to defy Israel. The king will give great wealth to the man who kills him. He will also give him his daughter in marriage - AND will exempt his family from taxes in Israel."*

(v. 26) *David asked the men standing near him, "What will be done for the man who kills this Philistine and removes this disgrace from Israel? **Who is** this uncircumcised Philistine that he should defy the armies of the living God?"*

(v. 27) *They repeated to him what they had been saying and told him, "This is what will be done for the man who kills him."*

(v. 28) *When Eliab, David's oldest brother, heard him speaking with the men, he burned with anger at him and asked, "WHY have you come down here? And with whom did you leave those **few** sheep in the wilderness? I know how conceited you are and how wicked your heart is; you came down only to watch the battle."*

(v. 29) *"Now what have I done?" David said. "Can't I even speak?"*

(v. 30) *He then turned away to someone else and brought up the same matter, and the men answered him as before.*

(v. 31) *What David said was overheard and reported to Saul, and Saul sent for him.*

(v. 32) *David said to Saul, "Let no one lose heart on account of this Philistine; your servant will go and fight him."*

(v. 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."*

(v. 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,*

(v. 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.

*(v. 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.***

(v. 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."

CONCLUSION: Three Steps of Application

Step 1. IDENTIFY your obstacles.

- *"I want God to use me – but _____"*
- *"I KNOW what God wants me to do – but _____"*

Step 2. See obstacles as opportunities.

- *It's not an obstacle – it's an opportunity*

Step 3. Be willing to be the WHO – and trust God to show you HOW.