DODGING DISTRACTIONS "The Distraction of the Enemy Within"

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"If you are befriending the enemy within, you are not being a friend to yourself."

1. DODGE getting into the wrong fight.

<u>1 Samuel 17:28</u> – "When David's oldest brother, Eliab, heard David talking to the men, he was angry. 'What are you doing around here anyway?' he demanded. 'What about those few sheep you're supposed to be taking care of? I know about your pride and deceit. You just want to see the battle.'"

2. DETERMINE to fight the good fight.

<u>1 Samuel 17:29, 30</u>— "'Now what have I done,' said David. 'Can't I even speak?' He then turned away to someone else and brought up the same matter and the men answered him as before.'"

<u>2 Timothy 4:7</u> – "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."

3. DON'T fight in your own might.

<u>1 Samuel 17:45</u>– "You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come to you in the Name of the Lord of Heaven's Armies – the God of the Armies of Israel, whom you have defied."

<u>Ephesians 6:10,11</u> – "A final word: be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power. Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil."

"If you continue to fight the wrong fight, your Goliath will continue to dominate you."