

THE GOAT

G R E A T E S T O F A L L T I M E

Pt. 2: Are You Ready?

Questions for further study and application:

- Day 1 Read Ecclesiastes 3:1. David understood that his time as a shepherd was for a season and he had the ability to be patient and faithful during this time. Sometimes, when you are facing giants in your life, it is hard to remember that this is only for a season; that this too shall pass. Remind yourself of that thought not only during the storms of life, but also during the good times. It will help you to live in the moment and enjoy the people around you. No matter what season you are in today, it won't last forever. So, pause to see how God is working in your life and give thanks for your current season.
- Day 2 Read Colossians 3:23. David had the ability to take what was ordinary and use it as a source of confidence. As a result, the skills he learned as a shepherd were used eventually to kill the giant. You've seen it in movies like the Karate Kid, where the teacher has him "Wax on, Wax off" on cars for days. The kid gets irritated, but then later learns he was actually using this mundane task to teach him how to fight. You never know how God may be using the mundane tasks in your life today to fight the battles of tomorrow. Trust that in all things there is a purpose.
- Day 3 Being faithful in the small things leads to greater influence and more responsibility. Read Luke 19:17. There is a great app out called Acorn. It links to your bank account and rounds up your day to day purchases to the nearest dollar. You hardly know it's missing, but it's a great illustration of being faithful in the small things. Over the period of months and years, those small deposits in your bank account lead to large amounts and more responsibility later. It's the same when following Jesus, small acts of obedience and faithfulness eventually lead to larger things. Focus on doing the small things well today, and watch how God grows it tomorrow.
- Day 4 Read Philippians 4:09. Greatness is established through dedicated preparation. David won the battle because he had experience, knowledge, and he was prepared for the fight. The average professional athlete has put in at least 10,000 hours of practice in their chosen sport before they become a professional. It doesn't happen without practice and perseverance. Daily prayer time with God and reading His Word are some ways you can prepare for the battles of tomorrow. Can you imagine how 10,000 hours of preparedness with God would affect your life? It's not too late to find out; you can start today.
- Day 5 Being who God made you to be is how you will find your confidence. Read Hebrews 10:35. When you are confident, you can face the biggest giant. Greatness is established by facing your fear. What fear do you need to face today? You can look at that giant and do as David did; remind it who your God is. In 1 Samuel 17:45, David said to the Philistine, "You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the Lord Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied." What giant do you need to say this to today? Ask God for the strength you need to overcome your giant.

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