



WORD OF GOD SPEAK

Week 2: His Authority for His Glory

Understanding His Word: We hope through this week's study you will begin to allow God's Word to be the ruling authority and infallible instruction for our lives. Leading us into His promises of provision and blessings for His glory.

KEY SCRIPTURE

- *Psalm 119:142*
- *1 Samuel 17:33-50*

VERSE BY VERSE

1. *Psalm 119:142*

- **RELATIVISM**- the idea that knowledge, truth, and morality are affected by culture, society or historical context and are not absolute.
- **"Your law is truth"**- In a world of **relativism** this is a much needed reminder of God's unchanging, uncompromising truth. God's word does not mold to culture or our selfish desires. Francis Schaeffer once said "the Biblical message is true fundamentally, apart from how one receives it or how it works in one's life". The truth of a creation and it's purpose has to be and will always be dictated by the Creator. God's Word helps us to understand His purpose for His creation and the hope that lies in His truth alone.
- **Questions:**
 1. Do you see God's Word in the same light as David? Is it always true? What would you disagree with?
 2. What gives God rightful authority over your life?
 3. Why has God empowered us through His Word and the work of the Holy Spirit to live extraordinary, unashamed lives in the world around us?

2. *1 Samuel 17:46*

- **"That there is a God in Israel"**- God's work through David was not meant for David's

glory, the glory of the Israelite army, or King Saul. This victory was intended to bring glory to His name.

WEEKLY CHALLENGE

1. Read 1 Samuel 17:23-50 from the perspective of the army of Israel.
2. Write down what you would have been thinking before, during, and after David's encounter with Goliath. (***Be honest with doubts and fears you may have felt in those moments***)
3. Reflect on the battlefield that God has called you to walk on, in your family, in your work place, and in your ministry. Think about how much impact your faithfulness to God's Word will have on your own life and the lives of those watching.

FOR THE FAMILY

1. **GOAL:** Dedicate 15 mins of ONE night this week
2. **READING:** Read 1 Samuel 17:23-50, in this story of David and his battle against Goliath, discuss the difference between those who stood and watched in fear, and David who faced the enemy.
 - ***David was able to do this through the Lord, and not in his own strength.***
 - *"The Lord is my strength and my shield; My heart trusted in Him and I am helped; Therefore my heart greatly rejoices, and with my song I will praise Him."* **Psalm 28:7**
3. **PRAY:** Ask for prayer request from your family. Pray for your family and pray that God would grow your trust in His plan, His instruction and His way.