

DAVID

CHASING AFTER GOD'S HEART



David & Goliath

Now the Philistines gathered their
forces for war and assembled at
Sokoh in Judah...

1 Samuel 17:1 NIV

Saul and the Israelites assembled and camped in the Valley of Elah and drew up their battle line to meet the Philistines.

1 Samuel 17:2 NIV

The Philistines occupied one hill
and the Israelites another, with the
valley between them.

1 Samuel 17:3 NIV

A champion named **Goliath**, who was from Gath, came out of the Philistine camp. His height was six cubits and a span.

1 Samuel 17:4 NIV

He had a bronze helmet on his head and wore a coat of scale armor of bronze weighing five thousand shekels; on his legs he wore bronze greaves, and a bronze javelin was slung on his back.

1 Samuel 17:5-6 NIV

His spear shaft was like a weaver's rod, and its iron point weighed six hundred shekels. His shield bearer went ahead of him.

1 Samuel 17:7 NIV

Goliath stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, “Why do you come out and line up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not the servants of **Saul**? Choose a man and have him come down to me.

1 Samuel 17:8 NIV

If he is able to fight and kill me, we will become your subjects; but if I overcome him and kill him, you will become our subjects and serve us.”

1 Samuel 17:9 NIV

On **hearing** the Philistine's words, Saul and all the Israelites were **dismayed and terrified**. For forty days the Philistine came forward every morning and evening and took his stand.

1 Samuel 17:10,16 NIV

For forty days the Philistine came forward **every morning and evening** and took his stand.

1 Samuel 17:16 NIV

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**. Whenever the Israelites **saw** the man, they all **fled** from him in great fear.

1 Samuel 17:23-24 NIV

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**?”

1 Samuel 17:26 NIV

....“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.”

1 Samuel 17:28 NIV

What David said was overheard and reported to Saul, and Saul sent for him. David said to Saul, “Let no one **lose heart** on account of this Philistine; your servant will go and fight him.”

1 Samuel 17:31-32 NIV

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.”

1 Samuel 17:33-34 NIV

But David said to Saul...

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.

1 Samuel 17:36 NIV

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.”

1 Samuel 17:37 NIV

God hasn't failed me yet,
and He won't fail me now.

This day the Lord will deliver you into my hands, and I'll strike you down and cut off your head. This very day I will give the carcasses of the Philistine army to the birds and the wild animals,

1 Samuel 17:46 NIV

and the whole world will know that
there is a God in Israel.

1 Samuel 17:46 NIV

All those gathered here will know that it is not by sword or spear that the Lord saves; **for the battle is the Lord's**, and he will give all of you into our hands.”

1 Samuel 17:47 NIV

God takes ultimate responsibility
for the final outcomes in our life.

So David triumphed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone; without a sword in his hand he struck down the Philistine and killed him.

1 Samuel 17:50 NIV

In you,
Lord my God,
I put my **trust**....
No one who **hopes** in you
will ever be put to shame,

Psalm 25:1-3 NIV

Trusting God expands
my perspective.

Trusting God increases
my confidence.

Trusting God shapes how
we see everything else in life.

No matter how big the enemy may
be, or how great the enemy may
be... God is bigger, and
God is greater!

Battles are unavoidable.
Victory is inevitable.