

Main Idea

David's victory over Goliath wasn't won by strength, strategy, or skill—it was won by faith. He trusted God with what little he had, and God did what David never could alone. In the same way, Jesus is our greater David, who has already defeated the ultimate giants of sin and death. Our role is to bring our weakness, faith, and obedience—and trust Him for the victory.

Opening Thought

Like Rulon Gardner's shocking victory over the undefeated Karelín, David's triumph seemed impossible. Yet both remind us: **God delights in using the weak to display His strength.** What "giants" are you facing that seem unbeatable without God's power?

Discussion Questions

1. Faith Over Fear:

When David rejected Saul's armor, he chose faith over self-reliance.

- What are some "pieces of armor" (habits, control, self-effort) you tend to trust in instead of God?
- Or perhaps, are you wearing someone else's armor that just doesn't fit and set you up for success? (trying to be like someone else instead of yourself or listening to other's advice rather than God's?)
- What would it look like for you to "take them off" and trust Him more fully?

2. Grace in Weakness:

David's five stones represented his faith that God would empower him beyond his human ability.

- Where in your life do you need to bring your "five stones"—your small obedience and faith and weakness—and trust God for the outcome?
- How does 2 Corinthians 12:9–10 ("My grace is sufficient for you...") challenge the way we think about weakness? (surrender and trust)
- What does it mean to you that David's perspective was "God is with me, this is ultimately His battle and He will win it through me as I run towards it?"

3. Jesus, Our Champion:

The sermon ends with Jesus as the greater David, who has already defeated sin and death.

- How does remembering that Christ has already won change the way you face your personal battles today?
- What might it mean for you to "fight from victory, not for it"? (read and meditate on Colossians 2:13)

Closing Reflection

Name Your Goliath and Pray together:

"Lord, I bring what little I have—my weakness, my faith, my five stones. Use them for Your glory. Remind me that the battle belongs to You, and in my weakness, You are strong."