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Introduction.

(Scriptures from KJV unless noted otherwise)

Foundation Scriptures:

Gal. 3:11.

¹¹ *But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith. (KJV)*

Gal. 3:29.

²⁹ *And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise. (KJV)*

Heb.11:6

⁶ *But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that comes to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him. (KJV)*

1 Samuel 17:1-54.

¹ *Now the Philistines gathered together their armies to battle, and were gathered together at Shochoh, which belongs to Judah, and pitched between Shochoh and Azekah, in Ephesdammim. (KJV).....*

1.0 – Introduction Note.

The story of David & Goliath in the Old Testament is an example for us today of a “Born again, New Testament believer” in how to operate in authority in the Blood Covenant by Faith using God’s Word (His promises) to achieve victory in every area of life even when the situations appear to be impossible to conquer.

This story & example will illustrate how God wants **every believer** is to speak to any mountain (problem) and command it to be removed – for the just (or righteous) shall live or have their lives sustained by Faith! Remember that God in you, the believer, is far greater than any problem or situation.

The army of King Saul represent the church of today and King Saul represents the man of God that has been chosen to confront and lead God’s people into the battle. Goliath represents Satan (the problem / mountain in the believers life) and the army of the Philistines represent the spiritual forces that are under Satan’s control that is his devils and demons. In reality it is a battle between the kingdom of God and the forces of darkness, between good and evil.





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2.0 – The Battle Scene.

1 Samuel 17:1-53.

¹ Now the Philistines gathered together their armies to battle, and were gathered together at Shochoh, which belongeth to Judah, and pitched between Shochoh and Azekah, in Ephesdammim. ² And Saul and the men of Israel were gathered together, and pitched by the valley of Elah, and set the battle in array against the Philistines. ³ And the Philistines stood on a mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on a mountain on the other side: and there was a valley between them. (KJV)

- Army of the Philistines gathered together against the army of Saul. Both armies were on mountain sides facing each other, with a valley between.

1 Samuel 17:4-7.

⁴ And there went out a champion out of the camp of the Philistines, named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. ⁵ And he had an helmet of brass upon his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail; and the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of brass. ⁶ And he had greaves of brass upon his legs, and a target of brass between his shoulders. ⁷ And the staff of his spear was like a weaver's beam; and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron: and one bearing a shield went before him. (KJV)

- Goliath champion of the Philistines, approx. 10'6" (3.23m), amour - 127lbs. (58 kg.). Trained as a man of war from his youth (v 33), his spear a weavers beam (large diameter for a man's hand.).

1 Samuel 17:8-10.

⁸ And he stood and cried unto the armies of Israel, and said unto them, Why are you come out to set your battle in array? am not I a Philistine, and you servants to Saul? choose you a man for you, and let him come down to me. ⁹ If he be able to fight with me, and to kill me, then will we be your servants: but if I prevail against him, and kill him, then shall you be our servants, and serve us. ¹⁰ And the Philistine said, I defy the armies of Israel this day; give me a man, that we may fight together. (KJV)

- Goliath calls out and **defies** the army of Israel (against God's man & God's people) for **40 days – morning and night** (v16). Your problem will speak to you two times a day, first thing in the morning as you wake up and last thing at night before you go to sleep! Speak to your problem at least two times a day.
- Goliath wanted to fight God's man – to pull down Saul (and the anointing).

1 Samuel 17:11.

¹¹ When Saul and all Israel heard those words of the Philistine, they were dismayed, and greatly afraid. (KJV)

- Saul and Israel hears the challenge of Goliath and were dismayed – **lost courage, no hope, were without faith** – an army in the field = **no victory!**

3.0 - David sent to the Battle Front.

1 Samuel 17:12-22.

¹² Now David was the son of that Ephrathite of Bethlehemjudah, whose name was Jesse; and he had eight sons: and the man went among men for an old man in the days of Saul. ¹³ And the three eldest sons of Jesse went and followed Saul to the battle: and the names of his three sons that went to the battle were Eliab the firstborn, and next unto him Abinadab, and the third Shammah. ¹⁴ And David was the youngest: and the three eldest followed



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Saul. ¹⁵ But David went and returned from Saul to feed his father's sheep at Bethlehem. ¹⁶ **And the Philistine drew near morning and evening, and presented himself forty days.** ¹⁷ And Jesse said unto David his son, Take now for thy brethren an ephah of this parched corn, and these ten loaves, and run to the camp to thy brethren; ¹⁸ And carry these ten cheeses unto the captain of their thousand, and look how thy brethren fare, and take their pledge. ¹⁹ Now Saul, and they, and all the men of Israel, were in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines. ²⁰ And David rose up early in the morning, and left the sheep with a keeper, and took, and went, as Jesse had commanded him; and he came to the trench, as the host was going forth to the fight, and shouted for the battle. ²¹ For Israel and the Philistines had put the battle in array, army against army. ²² And David left his carriage in the hand of the keeper of the carriage, and ran into the army, and came and saluted his brethren. (KJV)

V.12-22

- Jesse sends David to the battle front with food to feed his three brothers – Eliab the Firstborn, Abinadab, Shammah.
- David leaves his backpack behind in the rear area and **runs** into the battle – he is a man of God, **a man of faith.**
- David is only a youth approx. 17 years old and overly big (v33 & v42).

1 Samuel 17:23-24.

²³ And as he talked with them, behold, there came up the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, out of the armies of the Philistines, and spoke according to the same words: and David heard them. ²⁴ And all the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled from him, and were sore afraid. (KJV)

- As David talks with Israel, Goliath speaks, defying God's people once again and **they became afraid** and fled.

1 Samuel 17:25-27.

²⁵ And the men of Israel said, Have you seen this man that is come up? surely to defy Israel is he come up: and it shall be, that the man who kills him, the king will enrich him with great riches, and will give him his daughter, and make his father's house free in Israel. ²⁶ And David spoke to the men that stood by him, saying, What shall be done to the man that kills this Philistine, and taketh away the reproach from Israel? **for who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?** ²⁷ And the people answered him after this manner, saying, So shall it be done to the man that kills him. (KJV)

V.25-27

- David hears what Goliath says and replies to the men of Israel (v26-25-27), what reward will the man get, who kills Goliath – **Israel saw a giant (in fear), David saw a prize (in Faith)!**
- That giant is one of two things in your eyes, **dangerous or valuable.**
- **Is your Goliath, your problem, your mountain, standing there and talking to you** – sickness, debt, failure, broken family or marriage, etc.?
- Jesus said in Mark 11:23 to **speak to your mountain** and **tell it** to be removed.
- Learn to change your attitude from defeat to victory – **learn to break through!**
- **David qualifies his own faith (covenant with God), while at the same time he qualifies his enemy (uncircumcised – meaning Goliath is without a covenant to God) V.26.**
- David was aware of his covenant to God, through Abraham – “*your enemies shall come at you one way and they shall flee in seven ways*” (Duet. 28:7) – **David was a man of the Covenant and believed God!**
- **Any (covenant) man** on the battle field could have done the same thing as David did!



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1 Samuel 17:28-30.

²⁸ And Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spoke unto the men; and Eliab's anger was kindled against David, and he said, Why came thou down hither? and with whom hast thou left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know thy pride, and the naughtiness of thine heart; for you art come down that you might see the battle. ²⁹ And David said, What have I now done? Is there not a cause? ³⁰ And he turned from him toward another, and spoke after the same manner: and the people answered him again after the former manner. (KJV)

- David's brother reacts in fear to David's faith and trust in God, and accuses him of pride. Eliab's faith had failed him (his heart).
- Do not get mad at people talking faith – you have no right to do that!
- Do not let people pull you down because you talk faith – **talk it the more louder!**

4.0 - David Stands before Saul.

1 Samuel 17:31-37.

³¹ And when the words were heard which David spoke, they rehearsed them before Saul: and he sent for him.

³² And David said to Saul, Let no man's heart fail because of him; thy servant will go and fight with this Philistine.

³³ And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou art but a youth, and he a man of war from his youth. ³⁴ And David said unto Saul, Thy servant kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock: ³⁵ And I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered it out of his mouth: **and when he arose against me, I caught him by his beard, and smote him, and slew him.** ³⁶ Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear: and **this uncircumcised Philistine** shall be as one of them, seeing he hath defied the armies of the living God. ³⁷ David said moreover, The Lord that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said unto David, Go, and the Lord be with thee. (KJV)

V.31-37

- David's trust in God & confession of faith, brought him before the king.
- David said let no man's heart fail him, for he would fight – **David** was a covenant man who **thought first on his covenant** rather than the size of the enemy.
- Saul says to David that he is only a youth, and Goliath has been trained as a man of war from his youth.
- David reminds Saul of the time when the bear and the lion came to take a lambs from his herd, he chased them and fought them and brought them down.
- David says that when he **arose up again**, he caught him by the beard (the flesh under the chin) and hit & killed him – **The counter attack! Where Christians lose their battles.**
- Jesus says that when the devil is cast out of the house, and the house cleaned up, that he would bring back 7 more with him and the condition would be worst that before.
- **David is under the anointing** to hit and kill the beast, no ordinary strength.
- David declares to Saul that the same thing will happen to Goliath because he is defying **the armies of the living God.**
- Saul **recognises the anointing** on David from God, that he once had, and says **Go** and the **Lord be with you.**
- **Just keep talking your victories, and the anointing will become stronger** – David **kept on seeing** his giant on his back on the ground dead.



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5.0 - David sent into Battle.

1 Samuel 17:38-40.

³⁸ And Saul armed David with his armour, and he put an helmet of brass upon his head; also he armed him with a coat of mail. ³⁹ And David girded his sword upon his armour, and he assayed to go; for he had not proved it. And David said unto Saul, I cannot go with these; for I have not proved them. And David put them off him. ⁴⁰ And he took his staff in his hand, and chose him five smooth **stones** out of the **brook**, and put them in a **shepherd's bag** which he had, even in a scrip; and his **sling** was in his hand: and he drew near to the Philistine. (KJV)

V.38-40

- Saul gives David his personal armour, the best you could have in all Israel, but David rejects it.
- David chose his weapon not according to its fire power, he chose the weapon that he knew that God would honour him with – the stone and the sling!
- David took 5 smooth stones (bible verses) from the brook (the water of God's word), and put them in his shepherd's bag (his heart/spirit), and his sling (mouth).

1 Samuel 17:41-47.

⁴¹ And the Philistine came on and drew near unto David; and the man that bare the shield went before him. ⁴² And when the Philistine looked about, and saw David, he disdained him: for he was but a youth, and ruddy, and of a fair countenance. ⁴³ And the Philistine said unto David, Am I a dog, that thou come to me with staves? And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. ⁴⁴ And the Philistine said to David, Come to me, and I will give thy flesh unto the fowls of the air, and to the beasts of the field. ⁴⁵ Then said David to the Philistine, you come to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied. ⁴⁶ This day will the Lord deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee; and I will give the carcasses of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel. ⁴⁷ And all this assembly shall know that the Lord saves not with sword and spear: for the battle is the Lord's, and he will give you into our hands. (KJV)

V.41-47

- Goliath sees David has come to fight and laughs at him and curses him.
- **David speaks back** to Goliath and says that you come to me with a sword, and a spear and a shield: **but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies Israel, to whom you have defied – David declares his faith!**
- **David further declares that the LORD saves not with and spear: for the battle is the Lord's, and he will give you into our hands.**
- **Do not let that giant or mountain speak to you**, David did not let Goliath (devil) speak anymore (words of fear), David kept the promise of God before eyes, in his mouth.

1 Samuel 17:48-52.

⁴⁸ And it came to pass, when the Philistine arose, and came and drew nigh to meet David, that David hasted, and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine. ⁴⁹ And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang it, and smote the Philistine in his forehead, that the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth. ⁵⁰ So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him; but there was no sword in the hand of David. ⁵¹ Therefore David ran, and stood upon the Philistine, and took his sword, and drew it out of the sheath thereof, and slew him, and cut off his head therewith. And when the Philistines saw their champion was dead, they fled. ⁵² And the men of Israel and of Judah arose, and shouted, and pursued the Philistines, until thou come to the valley, and to the gates of Ekron. And the wounded of the Philistines fell down by the way to Shaaraim, even unto Gath, and unto Ekron. (KJV)



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- Goliath moves toward David but David **ran towards his enemy**.
- David takes a stone from his shepherd bag, slings it and hits Goliath in the forehead **and he falls** to the ground – **not dead but unconscious** just like the bear and the lion.
- David had learned from the past **not to allow the devil to get up again** to attack him, just because the symptoms have left, just because the pressure of the problem has eased off, **do not take a rest from your battle of Faith until you have total victory**.
- David took the sword of Goliath, stood upon him and **cut his head clean off**.
- When the devil is defeated all the other little demons will run away too!
- The devil's head (the victory) in your hand is your testimony, and the bible says that **we overcome by the blood of the lamb and the word of our testimony**. (Rev.12:11)

6.0 - Conclusion

In this story David is representing a “New Testament Believer”, the **brook or water represents** the water of God's Word – the Bible, **the stones represent** verses or promises in God's Word, the **Shepard's bag represents** the heart or spirit of a “believer” and the **sling represents** the tongue of the “believer”.

We as Christians are to be like David,

1. We are to take **the word of God** from the bible (God's Word)
2. Put it in **our hearts** or spirit,
3. Take the **promise that covers** the situation from our spirit,
4. Put it **on our tongue** and **speak it out** of our mouth in and by “Faith” to the problem / mountain and command it to be removed,
5. Do not let the problem / mountain speak to you ever again!
6. We are to hit devil (problem / mountain) and **do not stop until** there is complete victory to where the victory is becomes testimony.

We are to meditate the word day and night like Joshua did (Jos.1:8), until we have a revelation and believe the promises!

David knew his covenant with God, **he believed** it and **he acted** on it in faith. He believed **God to honour his word**.

YOUR BREAKTHROUGH IN YOUR SITUATION - DEPENDS UPON YOU KNOWING YOUR COVENANT, BELIEVING IT AND ACTING ON IT BY FAITH.

God is waiting for you to do it, he has already done everything for you, but He will not do it for you – **that is your part of the covenant -**

Duet.30:19

¹⁹ I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live: (KJV)

JESUS IS LORD!