



## 1 Samuel 17-David and Goliath

What has the Holy Spirit done in your heart this week through this familiar story of David and Goliath? Did it surprise you that this story is less about being like David and more about honoring the name of the one true God?

Do you see yourself as David in this story, or more like one of his brothers or Israel? Or perhaps you are Goliath, mocking the one true God? Will you pray that God reveals to you who you truly are, and then repent where you are not honoring him?

Courage is not the absence of fear but rather the faith to act and trust God with the results.

If our God is a living God, then that changes all our circumstances and challenges. Where do you need to speak to your heart and remind yourself that God is living, he is for you as his child, and he is working all things for your good and his glory?

Do you see the difference between a self-absorbed anger and a righteous anger that is for the honor of God? When have you ever been righteously angry for the honor of God?

Our courage flows not from grit but from knowing the one true God. Where is one area you need to relinquish trust in your own abilities and rest in the ability of the Almighty God?

Do you have a memory of God working in your life that you go back to? That you need to go back to? That will give you faith for the future?

Faith is sustained in the present when it remembers the promises of God that have always been fulfilled in the past.

Our moments of courage should always be aimed at God. ...that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel...v. 46.

Even the Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many. Will you seek the courage of God to be a servant to all, a reflector of who God is to all that you meet?

For the battle is the Lord's, and he will give you into our hands. 1 Samuel 17:47