



I Samuel 17:1-58

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Intro: When we speak of Giants in our lives we’re talking about sin.

When the Jews saw Goliath they were dismayed and afraid.

They saw him from a human perspective, an impenetrable fortress.

In **Numbers 13** the ten spies saw an impossible situation. But Joshua and Caleb saw the same issue from God’s perspective.

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Intro: In looking at the issue with Goliath we see:

- 1.** Saul looking at it from a human perspective, **vs. 25,**
David, from God’s perspective, **vs 26.**
- 2.** Saul’s confidence was in his armor, **vs 38,**
David had confidence in his God, **vs 45.**
- 3.** Saul was concerned about his own image, **18:7-8,**
David was concerned about God’s honor, **vs 26.**

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I. We Need a Spiritual Perspective:

Our actions are dictated by our perspective.

Being “uncircumcised” meant being outside the Abrahamic Covenant.

In order to conquer sin we must see it through God’s perspective.

We must see sin as God does, And see ourselves as God sees us.

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II. We Need a Practical Faith in God:

When we walk by sight we:

- 1.** Calculate everything from a human perspective,
- 2.** We are often discouraged.

When we walk by faith;

- 1.** We bring God into the equation,
- 2.** That changes the results.

David's faith was rooted in:

- 1.** Personal experience, **vs. 34-36,**
- 2.** A faith in God, not Man's methods.

Faith always honors God, not methods, and God always honors faith, not methods.

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III. A deliberate Focus on God’s Glory:

David’s motivation for fighting Goliath was his concern for God’s glory. **Vs. 45.**

God’s name is bound up with His people.

We should strive to keep our name clean as our reputation is linked to the Lord’s.

Two godly reasons for battling the Goliaths in our lives:

- 1.** So un-believers will see God at work in conquering sin in our lives, and believe,
- 2.** So believers will see how God works in those who trust Him and seek His glory, and be encouraged.