

Conquering Giants

I Samuel 17:1-11, 31-51

Introduction:

- David and Goliath, is one of the best known portions of the Bible
 - More than a story → an historical event
 - Written for much more than our amusement → for our _____ and spiritual advancement, Rom.15:4
- Today's believers in the Lord Jesus Christ also face giants. Giants of a different type to be sure, but giants nonetheless.

I. Who are these giants?

A. David faced a physical giant named Goliath; this giant was great in stature, 17:4; great in strength, 17:5-7; great in experience, 17:4, 33; and great in intimidating tactics, 17:10, 11, 16, 43, 44

B. Believers in the Lord Jesus face spiritual giants. They have an adversary, the devil, who is very much like Goliath – great in stature, strength, experience, and intimidating tactics. Consider with me some of the giants Satan sends to defy believers and their God (the first 3 are taken from I Jn. 2:16):

1. The giant named _____
2. The giant named _____
3. The giant named _____
4. The _____

II. What does it take to conquer one of these giants?

A. It takes a _____ that knows God and loves God supremely – I Sam.16:7; Titus 3:3-7

- This is a _____ of God, Eph.2:8, 9

B. It takes a _____ to glorify God – I Sam.17:20, 45

- This is a _____ of God, Philp.2:13

C. It takes an _____ of and _____ in God's ability to give that which is needed for the God-given task at hand – I Sam.17:34-37; 2 Pet.1:3a; 2 Tim.3:16, 17

D. It takes a _____ in fighting God's battles with provided and proven weapons – I Sam.17:47a; 2 Cor.10:3-5; Eph.6:11-18 0

E. It takes a _____ of the giant – I Sam.17:48; I Jn.4:4

F. It takes a _____ to do God's revealed will – I Sam.17:48, 49; Jas.4:7

III. Applications