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I Samuel 17 (Selected Verses)

FACING GIANTS

I. Introduction:

What causes You, worry, anxiety or fear?

II. Three Approaches To Fear:

Goliath: They are weak, I am strong

⁸ Goliath stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, “Why do you come out and line up for battle? **Am I not a Philistine**, and are you not the **servants** of Saul?” I Samuel 17:8

Saul: They are strong, I am weak

¹¹ On hearing the Philistine’s words, Saul and all the Israelites were **dismayed and terrified.**” I Samuel 17:11

David: I am weak, God is strong

⁴⁵ David said to the Philistine, “You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you **in the name of the LORD Almighty**, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.” I Samuel 17:45

III. Facing FEAR With Calm and Confidence:

F. Find Out The Facts

²⁶ David asked the men standing near him, “What will be done for the man who kills this Philistine and removes this disgrace from Israel?”

E. Eliminate Defeatist Attitudes or Thinking.

Eliab asked, "Why have you come down here? I know how conceited you are and how wicked your heart is;
³⁰ **He then turned away to someone else.** I Samuel 17:28; 30

"You are not able to go out against this Philistine and fight him; you are only a young man, and he has been a warrior from his youth." I Samuel 17:33

A. Affirm My Source of Strength.

³⁷ **The LORD who rescued me** from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine." I Samuel 17:37

You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you **in the name of the LORD Almighty**" I Samuel 17:45

"it is not by sword or spear that the LORD saves; for **the battle is the LORD's**". I Samuel 17:47

R. Run To The Battle:

⁴⁸ As the Philistine moved closer to attack him, **David ran quickly toward the battle line** to meet him." I Samuel 17:48

⁵² **Then** the men of Israel and Judah surged forward with a shout and pursued the Philistines". I Samuel 17:52

IV. Conclusion And Application: