

Celebration and Worship

Sunday, July 9, 2006

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Our Sunday morning service is broadcast weekly at 11:00 a.m. on WKXX, 102.9 FM.
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FACING YOUR GIANTS IN LIFE: THE TRAITS OF A GIANT SLAYER 1 Samuel 17

GIANT SLAYERS UNDERSTAND THAT LIFE'S CHALLENGES THEM FOR GREATER BATTLES

Quiet times of solitude with God
prepare you for the taunting armies of the enemy.

Today's skirmishes handled with grace
prepare you for tomorrow's battles.

"Your servant has been tending his father's sheep. Whenever a lion or a bear came and carried off a lamb from the flock, I went after it, struck it down, and rescued [the lamb] from its mouth. If it reared up against me, I would grab it by its fur, strike it down, and kill it. Your servant has killed lions and bears; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, for he has defied the armies of the living God." Then David said, "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." (34-37)

Moreover [let us also be full of joy now!] let us exult and triumph in our troubles and rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that pressure and affliction and hardship produce patient and unswerving endurance. (Romans 3:3 AMP)

GIANT SLAYERS HAVE A MINORITY _____, DIFFERENT THAN THE MAJORITY WHO LIVE IN DEFEAT

If you're not slaying your giant,
then your giant is attempting to slay you.

Faith takes vision and makes it 'visioneering'
—seeing what is possible through God.

DAVID'S BROTHER STARTS WORKING AGAINST HIM—*David's oldest brother Eliab listened as he spoke to the men, and became angry with him. "Why did you come down here?" he asked. "Who did you leave those few sheep with in the wilderness? I know your arrogance and your evil heart—you came down to see the battle!" (28)*

KING SAUL – “*Don’t be ridiculous!*” *There is no way you can go against this Philistine. You are only a boy, and he has been in the army since he was a boy!*” (33)

GOLIATH – “*Come over here, and I’ll give your flesh to the birds and wild animals!*” (44)

**GIANT SLAYERS FOCUS ON THE _____ OF VICTORY
RATHER THAN THE COST OF DEFEAT**

“I come to you in the name of the LORD Almighty—the God of the armies of Israel... and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel! And everyone will know that the LORD does not need weapons to rescue his people. It is his battle, not ours. The LORD will give you to us!” (45-47)

**GIANT SLAYERS ARE _____ BY GOD NOT
WEAKENED BY THEIR OWN STRENGTH**

Then Saul had his own military clothes put on David. He put a bronze helmet on David’s head and had him put on armor. David strapped his sword on over the military clothes and tried to walk, but he was not used to them. “I can’t walk in these,” David said to Saul, “I’m not used to them.” So David took them off. (38-39)

I come against you in the name of the LORD of Hosts, the God of Israel’s armies—you have defied Him. Today, the LORD will hand you over to me. (45b-46a)

**GIANT SLAYERS LIVE FOR THE _____ OF GOD NOT FOR
THEIR OWN TRIUMPH**

Today, the LORD will hand you over to me.... Then all the world will know that Israel has a God, and this whole assembly will know that it is not by sword or by spear that the LORD saves, for the battle is the LORD’s. (46-47)

Pastor’s Suggested Daily Bible Reading...

Monday	1 Samuel 17
Tuesday	Genesis 12:1-9
Wednesday	Genesis 13:1-18
Thursday	Genesis 15
Friday	Genesis 16
Saturday	Genesis 21:1-7; 22:1-19
Sunday	Hebrews 11:8-19