



David, son of Jesse, King of the Twelve Tribes of Israel will forever be remembered. He tended sheep. He fought giants. He betrayed his family. He forgave his enemies. He battled his son. He loved God. He wavered in faith. and he would somehow be forever known as the man after God's own heart. Join us this fall at CPC as we study the Rise and Fall of King David.

WEEK 3: SUNDAY, SEPT 24

"David Meets Goliath" Fear meets Faith

1 Samuel 17:4-11 & 45-50

Let's Warm Up

1.) Have you ever been given or started a job that you had absolutely no idea how to do? What is a time you felt completely unprepared?

2.) Would you say you are naturally a nervous or even-keeled person? What worries most get under your skin?

Let's Get Into the Word!

3.) In vv. 24-27, David asks Israelite soldiers about the rewards that have been offered to the warrior who defeats Goliath. Do you think that was a motivation for him to take on Goliath? Does that change how you feel about the story if it was?

4.) Much is made of David's size/age (see v. 33) being something that will prevent him from fighting Goliath. What is a characteristic in your own life you often feel could limit God's ability to work? Does that actually hinder you or is it in your head?

5.) In Verses 34-40, David rejects Saul's heavy armor and sword before going into battle? Do you think it was overconfidence or strategy? Why would he do that?

6.) What is something in your life that you tend to think is a strength/asset that might actually be a weakness/liability?

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Look at verses 37, 45-47. David demonstrates an amazing amount of confidence for someone entering into such a dangerous situation.

7.) What is the difference between being confident in God in general and being confident in a specific situation? Which do you think is easier for you?

8.) What do you think enabled David to demonstrate such confidence in God? How does our history with God affect our faith in him?

9.) Was David's shot that hit Goliath in the forehead a demonstration of David's skill or of God's intervention and power? Or Both?

10.) Share about a time when you trusted God to enable you to face a "giant" in your life. What was the outcome and how did it change you? Did it educate you in some way? Did it lead to other opportunities? If so, what were they?

11.) In your life right now, what is the biggest Goliath-sized obstacle you see looming? How should your past experiences with God give you hope as you face it?