

I Samuel

Part #15 – David

The voices in your life.

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Introduction

- Now the Philistines gathered together their armies to battle, and were gathered together at Shochoh, which belongeth to Judah, and pitched between Shochoh and Azekah, in Ephesdammim. – 1 Samuel 17:1
- And he stood and cried unto the armies of Israel, and said unto them, Why are ye come out to set your battle in array? am not I a Philistine, and ye servants to Saul? choose you a man for you, and let him come down to me. 1 Samuel 17:8
- And the Philistine drew near morning and evening, and presented himself forty days. 1
 Samuel 17:16

Introduction – Cont'd

- And David rose up early in the morning, and left the sheep with a keeper, and took, and went, as Jesse had commanded him; and he came to the trench, as the host was going forth to the fight, and shouted for the battle. – 1 Samuel 17:20
- And David left his carriage in the hand of the keeper of the carriage, and ran into the army, and came and saluted his brethren. 1 Samuel 17:22
- And as he talked with them, behold, there came up the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, out of the armies of the Philistines, and spake according to the same words: and David heard them. – 1 Samuel 17:23

Introduction – Cont'd

- And David spake to the men that stood by him, saying, What shall be done to the man that killeth this Philistine, and taketh away the reproach from Israel? for who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God? – 1 Samuel 17:26
- And Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spake unto the men; and Eliab's anger was kindled against David, and he said, Why camest thou down hither? and with whom hast thou left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know thy pride, and the naughtiness of thine heart; for thou art come down that thou mightest see the battle. 1 Samuel 17:28
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- And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou art but a youth, and he a man of war from his youth. 1 Samuel 17:33
- David said moreover, The LORD that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said unto David, Go, and the LORD be with thee. 1 Samuel 17:37

Keys

Mindsets – David, Saul and Goliath

- Battle for territory
- The champion the enemy presents
- The voices in our life
- Conditions surrounding of the battles we face
- What we hear will produce courage or precipitate fear
- Assignments at the nick of time

Keys – Cont'd

Mindsets – David, Saul and Goliath

- Staying focused amid opposing voices
- What you see and hear can steal your courage
- How long will you be between two opinions 40 days?
- Fear causes you to move in the opposite direction
- Rehearsing the word to produce the expected outcome
- Causes that are bigger than you!
- Remembering His testimonies

In this lesson

- The Voice of the adversary
- The Voice of the crowd
- The voice of destiny
- The Voice you have (Your voice)
- The Voice of courage
- The Voice of victory

The Voice of the adversary

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To close for comfort

- Camped in Israel's territory vs 1
- The adversary presents his daunting champion vs 4
- The voice of pride and intimidation v8
- The voice that asks where is your GOD? v8 -10
- The voice that produces fear and dismay v11, v16, v24

The Voice of the crowd

And the men of Israel said, Have ye seen this man that is come up? surely to defy Israel is he come up: and it shall be, that the man who killeth him, the king will enrich him with great riches, and will give him his daughter, and make his father's house free in Israel. – 1 Samuel 17:25

You must distinguish between the voices

- Israel heard differently v10,11
- David heard 4 voices: The Philistine v23; The Crowd v25,30; His Brother v28; and Saul v33

The Voice of destiny

And Jesse said unto David his son, Take now for thy brethren an ephah of this parched corn, and these ten loaves, and run to the camp to thy brethren; – 1 Samuel 17:17

Take now

- It seemed an opportune time for Father Jesse But He was bringing his son David in contact with his destiny
- David's action proved his faithfulness in missions and assignments v20, 22
- He would not have heard Goliath from the farm only when he was amid the battle
- Boldness rises within where others are intimidated by the same voice

The voice you have (Your Voice)

And David said, What have I now done? Is there not a cause? - 1 Samuel 17:29

And when the words were heard which David spake, they rehearsed them before Saul: and he sent for him. – 1 Samuel 17:31

Gain – Eat good by your voice!

- But we ought to be quick to hear first!
- Constantly rehearsing what he heard with what he said v26, 30
- Use your voice to stay focused v29
- Causes that are bigger than you

The Voice of courage

And David said to Saul, Let no man's heart fail because of him; thy servant will go and fight with this Philistine. – 1 Samuel 17:32

Let no man's heart fail

- Courage in the presence of fear, dismay, intimidation
- Even the King was afraid to go forward He hid in his foxhole
- You are recognized by your words when under pressure v34-37
- Actions under a voice silenced by fear v38
- Know what does not work don't please the crowd v39
- Stay with the tried and verified tools (the battle is not the time for guess work) v40

The Voice of courage – Cont'd

Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied. – 1 Samuel 17:45

Win the battle of words

- The Philistine Goliath spoke and so did David
- Remember how He delivered you
- The voice that speaks out of a testimony
- The battle is always His

The Voice of Victory

So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him; but there was no sword in the hand of David. – 1 Samuel 17:50

Men become courageous by your actions

- Israel took courage after David killed Goliath v52
- David took the spoil of war and got ahead off the Philistines v54
- You are reward for the problems you solve v25, v55
- King Saul had forgotten David's service earlier, but took notice now v55-58

Summary

The voice you hear will thank you or tank you - David

Next Week

We will continue next week – Still in the book of 1 Samuel – King Saul