

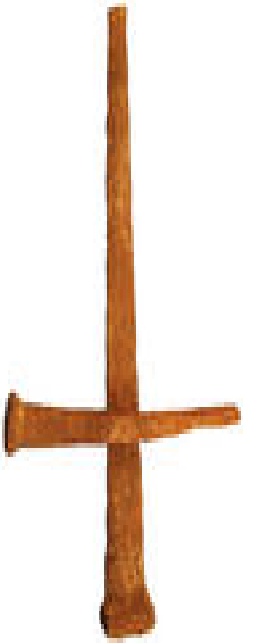


# JESUS

THE TRUE KING

# Jesus the Victorious King

The Battle Belongs to the Lord!

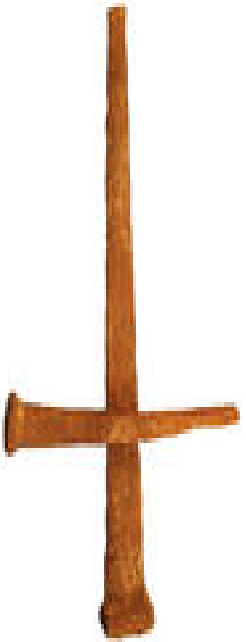


1 Samuel 17 – David and Goliath

# King David

- Youngest son of Jesse of Bethlehem
- Anointed to be king by Samuel
- Persecuted and exiled for many years
- Became King of Israel and reigned for 40 years
- Won many battles and enjoyed great success

**2 Samuel 5:10** - David became greater and greater, for the LORD God of hosts was with him.



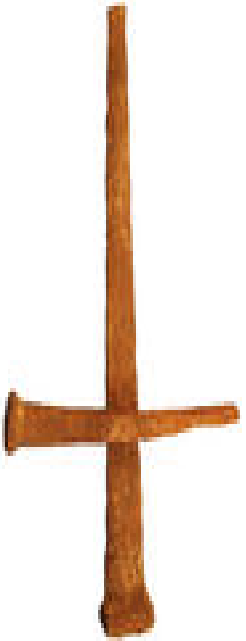
# King David

- David became a standard of righteousness
  - 1 Kings 9:4 (Solomon)** ...if you walk before me, as David your father walked....
  - 2 Chronicles 28:1 (Ahaz)** ...he did not do right in the sight of the Lord as David his father had done.
  - 1 Kings 15:11 (Asa)** ...did what was right in the eyes of the Lord, as his father David had done.
- Jesus became a standard of righteousness
  - John 13:15** - For I gave you an example that you should do as I did to you.
  - Philippians 2:5** - Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus.



# King David

- David's "secret" to success: His faith!  
**Hebrews 11:6** - Without faith it is impossible to please God
- His faith was demonstrated in his prayer and his praise
- Similar attitude in Jesus  
**John 5:19** – Jesus gave them this answer: "Very truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself; He can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does."
- Even in his failure, his heart was in the right place



# David vs Goliath

- “The Battle belongs to the Lord”

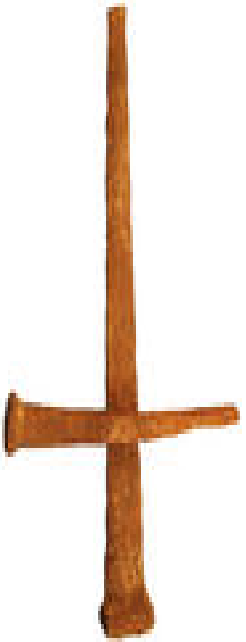
## 1 Samuel 17:45-47

You come to me with a sword, a spear, and a javelin, but I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have taunted. “This day the LORD will deliver you up into my hands, and I will strike you down and remove your head from you. And I will give the dead bodies of the army of the Philistines this day to the birds of the sky and the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, and that all this assembly may know that the LORD does not deliver by sword or by spear; **for the battle is the LORD’s** and He will give you into our hands.



# David – A Picture of Jesus

- This story contains a lesson  
**Romans 15:4** - For whatever was written in earlier times was written for our instruction, so that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.
- We love stories, we love heroes
- We are not the hero of this story  
**1 Corinthians 15:57** - Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through Jesus Christ, our Lord.



# Saul and All – Focused on the Giant

- Saul and all responded in fear

**1 Samuel 17:11,24** - On hearing the words of the Philistine, Saul and all the Israelites were dismayed and greatly afraid...When all the men of Israel saw Goliath, they fled from him in great fear.

- We too face giants in our lives

- Sickness / health issues (self or loved ones)
- Anxiety / depression / feeling overwhelmed / inadequacy
- Relationship breakdown: struggles with kids / parents / spouse / friends
- Loneliness
- Debilitating sins (pornography, sexual sins, secrets from the past,...)
- Struggles in the work place, with the business, unemployment
- Etc.





# Saul and All – Focused on the Giant

- Fear is understandable
  - Goliath was the strongest guy on the field

The problem that day was not that no one thought they could beat Goliath.  
The problem that day was that no one thought God could beat Goliath!

- They had forgotten that they were the army of God.
- They had forgotten: “The battle belongs to the Lord.”



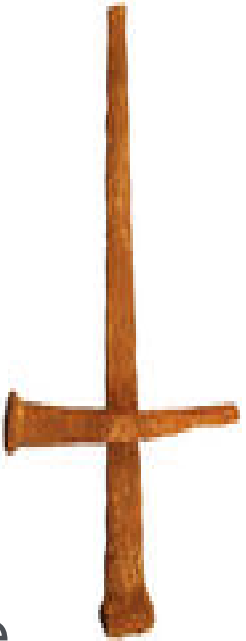
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- Saul and all were afraid and dismayed
- David was afraid and he prayed

**Psalms 56:3,4** - When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. In God, whose word I praise – in God I trust and am not afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?

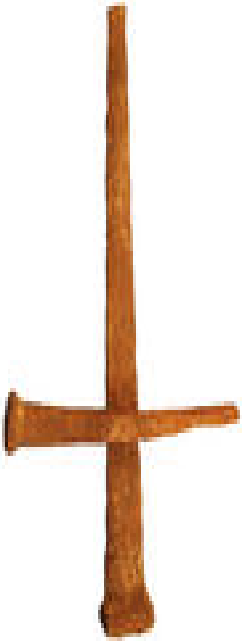
- What's our focus?

**John 16:33** - I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have trouble. But take heart; I have overcome the world.



# David – Focused on God

**1 Samuel 17:17-28** - Then Jesse said to David his son, “Take now for your brothers an ephah of this roasted grain and these ten loaves and run to the camp to your brothers. [...]“For Saul and they and all the men of Israel are in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines.” [...]So David arose early in the morning and left the flock with a keeper and took *the supplies* and went as Jesse had commanded him. And he came to the circle of the camp while the army was going out in battle array shouting the war cry. [...]Then David spoke to the men who were standing by him, saying, “Who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should taunt the armies of the living God?” When Eliab, David’s oldest brother, heard him speaking with the men, he burned with anger at him and asked, “Why have you come down here? And with whom did you leave those few sheep in the wilderness? I know how conceited you are and how wicked your heart is; you came down only to watch the battle.”



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- David was reminding his people that the battle belongs to the Lord

**1 Samuel 17:50** - Thus David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone, and he struck the Philistine and killed him; but there was no sword in David's hand.

**1 Samuel 17:51,52** - When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled. The men of Israel and Judah arose and shouted and pursued the Philistines



# Jesus – The victorious King

**1 Corinthians 1:18** - For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.



**1 John 4:14** - We have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.



# Jesus – The victorious King

Jesus is always victorious. In heaven they are praising Him all the time for His victory. Whatever may be our experience of failure and barrenness, He is never defeated.

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