

DAVID WAXED FAINT

2 SAMUEL 21:15-21

Text: 2 Sam 21:15

(2 Samuel 21:15) "Moreover the Philistines had yet war again with Israel; and David went down, and his servants with him, and fought against the Philistines: and David waxed faint."

Introduction:

1. PATRIOT

A. Courage

(1 Samuel 17:31-37) "And when the words were heard which David spake, they rehearsed them before Saul: and he sent for him. {32} And David said to Saul, Let no man's heart fail because of him; thy servant will go and fight with this Philistine. {33} 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. {34} And David said unto Saul, Thy servant kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock: {35} And I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered it out of his mouth: and when he arose against me, I

caught him by his beard, and smote him, and slew him. {36} Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them, seeing he hath defied the armies of the living God. {37} 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 17:45-49) "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. {46} This day will the LORD deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee; and I will give the carcases of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel. {47} And all this assembly shall know that the LORD saveth not with sword and spear: for the battle is the Lord's, and he will give you into our hands. {48} And it came to pass, when the Philistine arose, and came and drew nigh to meet David, that David hasted, and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine. {49} And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang it, and smote the Philistine in his forehead, that the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth."

B. Celebration

(1 Samuel 18:6-7) "And it came to pass as they came, when David was returned from the slaughter of the Philistine, that the women came out of all cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet king Saul, with tabrets, with joy, and with instruments of music. {7} And the women answered one another as they played, and said, Saul hath slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands."

C. Conduct

(1 Samuel 18:12) "And Saul was afraid of David, because the LORD was with him, and was departed from Saul."

(1 Samuel 18:14) "And David behaved himself wisely in all his ways; and the LORD was with him."

1. The Lord was with him

2. Behaved himself wisely

2. PROBLEM

A. Battle Resumed

There were (4) other brothers that had not been dealt with.

B. Brothers Resurfaced

Philistines were the enemies of God and the Giants were obstacles that stand between the enemy and victory.

Giants in People's Lives Today...

1. Anger and Temper
2. Drugs and Alcohol
3. Pornography
4. Gambling
5. Bitterness

3. PRINCIPLES

A. Giants not dealt with will become a problem later on.

B. It is better to deal with the Giants early, because the day will come when we'll become faint.

1. John 9:4

(John 9:4) "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work."

2. Ecclesiastes 12:1

(Ecclesiastes 12:1) "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them;"