

Slaying Giants in Our Lives

(1 Samuel 17:1-58)

- Introduction:
1. “David and Goliath” is not only a story recorded in the Bible, but it has become a modern-day slogan when an underdog defeats a greater opponent.
 2. One such example was a basketball game played on December 23, 1982, between Chaminade and the University of Virginia.
 3. In this lesson, I want to remind you of the power you have to pull off great upsets, and I want to remind you what you need to claim the victory.

I. Recoil

- A. (1 Samuel 17:26).
- B. David took offense at the blasphemy spoken against his God.
- C. (Jeremiah 36:24; Romans 12:9).
- D. We must learn to take offense at what dishonors God.
- E. How can we laugh at the profane, idolize the godless, entertain ourselves with what is obscene and claim to be disciples of Jesus?

II. Refocus

- A. (1 Samuel 17:28-29).
- B. We cannot allow another to rob us of our salvation.
- C. (Revelation 2:10; Job 13:15).

III. Remember

- A. (1 Samuel 17:32-37).
- B. We need to remember past times when God saw us through trials.
- C. Such remembrance stills our hearts, calms our fears, and gives us the courage to take on what may seem insurmountable.
- D. (Romans 8:31).

IV. Reliance

- A. (1 Samuel 17:45-47).
- B. With God, all things are possible (Matthew 19:26).
- C. Trust him even when you don't understand (Proverbs 3:5-6).
- D. (2 Timothy 1:12).

- Conclusion:
1. Brethren, these decisions by David gave him victory over an overwhelming opponent.
 2. As we close out this year, and begin the new year, we will inevitably face opposition that seems insurmountable, but by making these same choices, we can be victorious, even today.