

# **DAVID – FROM BOY TO KING**

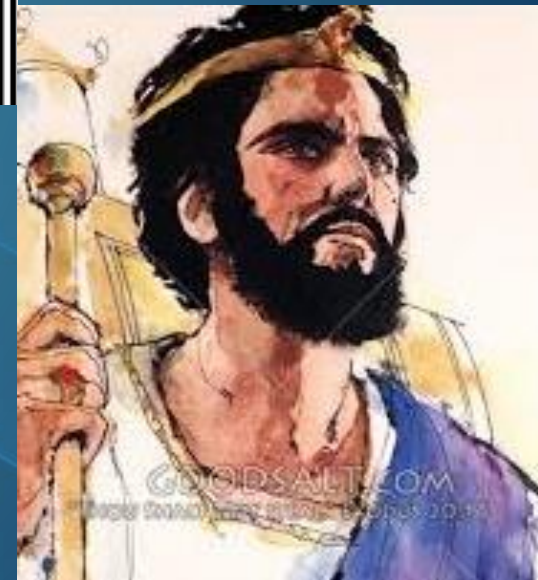
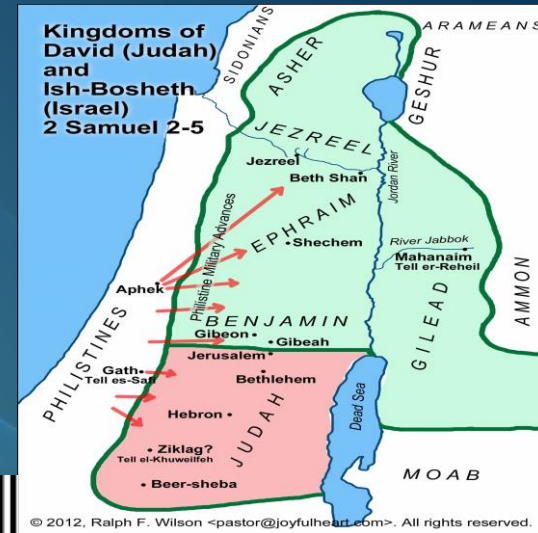
## **#2 GOD OPENS DOORS**

# 3 Challenges in David's life

➤ 1. Enemy - Outside

➤ 2. Enemy - Alongside

➤ 3. Enemy - Inside





## ▶ David the boy

- Family didn't think enough of him to invite him to the feast.
- His father (dad) just considered him the 'kid who looks after the sheep'.
- His father didn't see him as important.
- His father didn't see any 'kingly' attributes in him.
- His brothers, at the battlefield with Goliath, treated him as 'insignificant'.
- King Saul mostly referred to David as the 'son of Jesse', not mentioning David by name.
- Labels that people put on others. 'How could I be significant in the kingdom of God?'



## ► 1 Samuel 16

*And the LORD said, "Arise, anoint him; for this is the one!"*

*Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers; and the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward.*

*So Samuel arose and went to Ramah.*





## ► 1 Samuel 16 v14-

*But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and a distressing spirit from the LORD troubled him. And Saul's servants said to him, "Surely, a distressing spirit from God is troubling you. Let our master now command your servants, who are before you, to seek out a man who is a skilful player on the harp. And it shall be that he will play it with his hand when the distressing spirit from God is upon you, and you shall be well."*

*So Saul said to his servants, "Provide me now a man who can play well, and bring him to me."*

*Then one of the servants answered and said, "Look, I have seen a son of Jesse the Bethlehemite, who is skilful in playing, a mighty man of valor, a warrior, prudent in speech, and a handsome person; and the LORD is with him."*

## ► 1 Samuel 16 v14-

*Therefore Saul sent messengers to Jesse, and said, "Send me your son, David, who is with the sheep." And Jesse took a donkey loaded with bread, a skin of wine, and a young goat, and sent them by his son David to Saul.*

*So David came to Saul and stood before him. And **he loved him greatly**, and he became his armourbearer.*

*Then Saul sent to Jesse, saying, "Please let David stand before me, for he has found favour in my sight." And so it was, whenever the spirit from God was upon Saul, that David would take a harp and play it with his hand. Then Saul would become refreshed and well, and the distressing spirit would depart from him.*





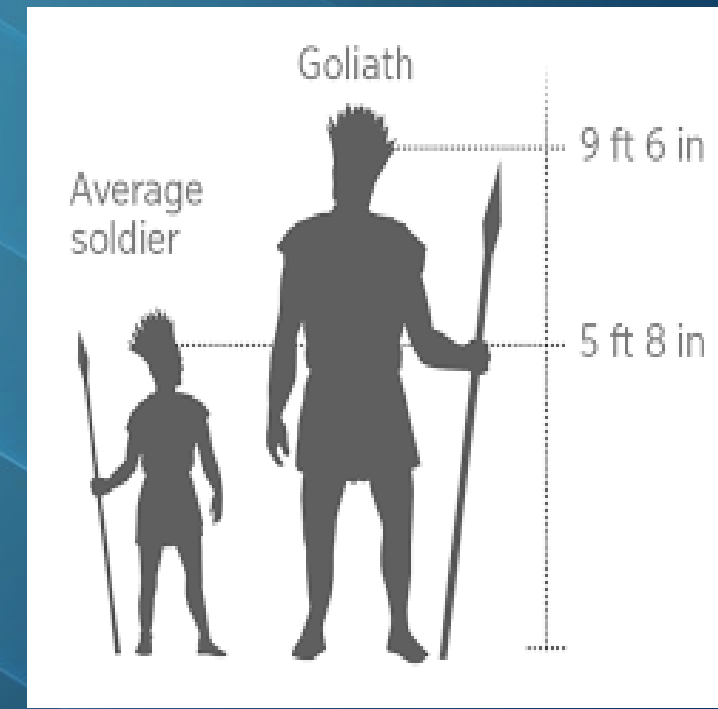
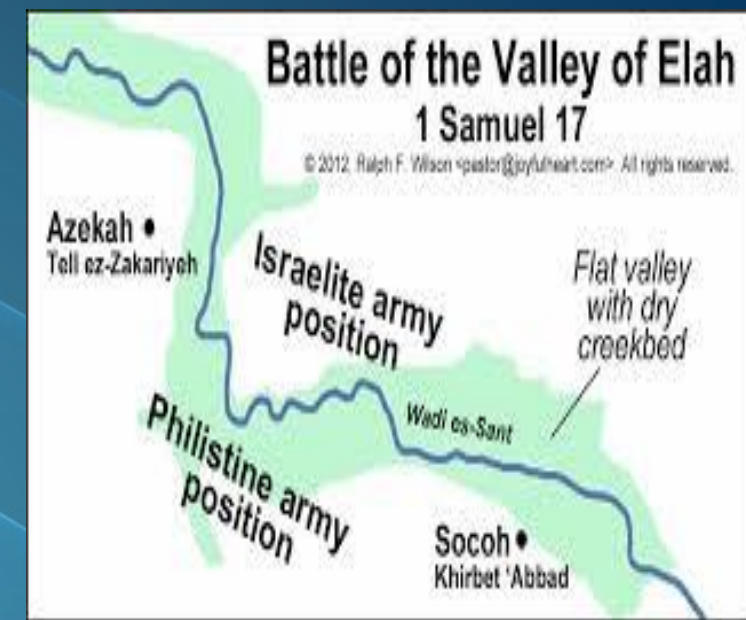
## ► 1 Samuel 17

*Now the Philistines gathered their armies together to battle (maybe as many as 40,000 men).*

*And Saul and the men of Israel were gathered together.*

*The Philistines stood on a mountain on one side, and Israel stood on a mountain on the other side, with a valley between them.*

*And a champion went out from the camp of the Philistines, named Goliath, from Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span.*



## ► 1 Samuel 17

*Then Goliath stood and cried out to the armies of Israel, and said to them, "Why have you come out to line up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and you the **servants of Saul**? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants. But if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us." And the Philistine said, "I defy the armies of Israel this day; give me a man, that we may fight together."*





## ▶ 1 Samuel 17

*When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were **dismayed and greatly afraid.***

*And the Philistine drew near and presented himself **forty days, morning and evening.***

*And all the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled from him and were **dreadfully afraid.***

**Fear** had taken hold of both Saul and Israel.

## ► 1 Samuel 17

*Then Jesse said to his son David, "Take now for your brothers an ephah of this dried grain and these ten loaves, and run to your brothers at the camp..."*

*Later... Then David spoke to the men who stood by him, saying, "What shall be done for the man who kills this Philistine and takes away the reproach from Israel? For who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the **armies of the living God?**"*





## ▶ 1 Samuel 17

*Then David said to Saul, "Let no man's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine."*

*And Saul said to David, "You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are a youth, and **he a man of war** from his youth."*

David details his resume to Saul... *Moreover David said, "**The LORD**, who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, He will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine."*

➤ Goliath's attributes - Physical – performance-based

➤ David's attributes - Spiritual – grace – supply minded

## ▶ 1 Samuel 17

*And Saul said to David, "Go, and the LORD be with you!"*

**Just 'words – no reality'**

*...David took his staff in his hand; and he chose for himself five smooth stones from the brook, and put them in a shepherd's bag, in a pouch which he had, and his sling was in his hand*





## ▶ 1 Samuel 17

*Then David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with a sword, with a spear, and with 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 defied. This day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you and take your head from you. And this day I will give the carcasses of the camp of the Philistines to the birds of the air and the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel. Then all this assembly shall know that the LORD does not save with sword and spear; for the battle is the LORD's, and He will give you into our hands."*

## ► 1 Samuel 17

*So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone, and struck the Philistine and killed him. But there was no sword in the hand of David.*

*Therefore David ran and stood over the Philistine, took his sword and drew it out of its sheath and killed him, and cut off his head with it.*

*And when the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled. Now the men of Israel and Judah arose and shouted, and pursued the Philistines as far as the entrance of the valley and to the gates of Ekron*





► **Jesus: concealed in OT -revealed in NT**

*On one hill Goliath aka Satan- pride in his strength – performance – powerful*

*On the other hill – today a professing Christian church fighting a losing battle*

*Goliath says give me a representative to settle the battle.*

*Satan vs Jesus David is a picture of the Lord Jesus who overcame Satan at Calvary.*

*David- sent by his father out to the battlefield*

*1 John 4:14 The Father sent the son to be the Saviour of the world*

*David's brothers rejected him.*

*Isaiah 53:3 He is despised and rejected of men, a man of sorrows.*

*David is strengthened by past experiences, the battle is the Lord's.*

*Jesus before his public ministry repelled Satan's attack- 'it is written'*

▶ **Jesus: concealed in OT - revealed in NT**

*David was successful by faith and faith alone.*

*Zech 4:6 'not by might, nor by power but by my spirit says the Lord'*

*David's victory was Israel's victory. Every Israelite that day became a conqueror because of David's victory.*

*Jesus conquered Satan and we are fellow partakers in His victory.*

*Rom 8 v31-37 No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*