



David and Goliath

1 Samuel 17

Valley of Elah

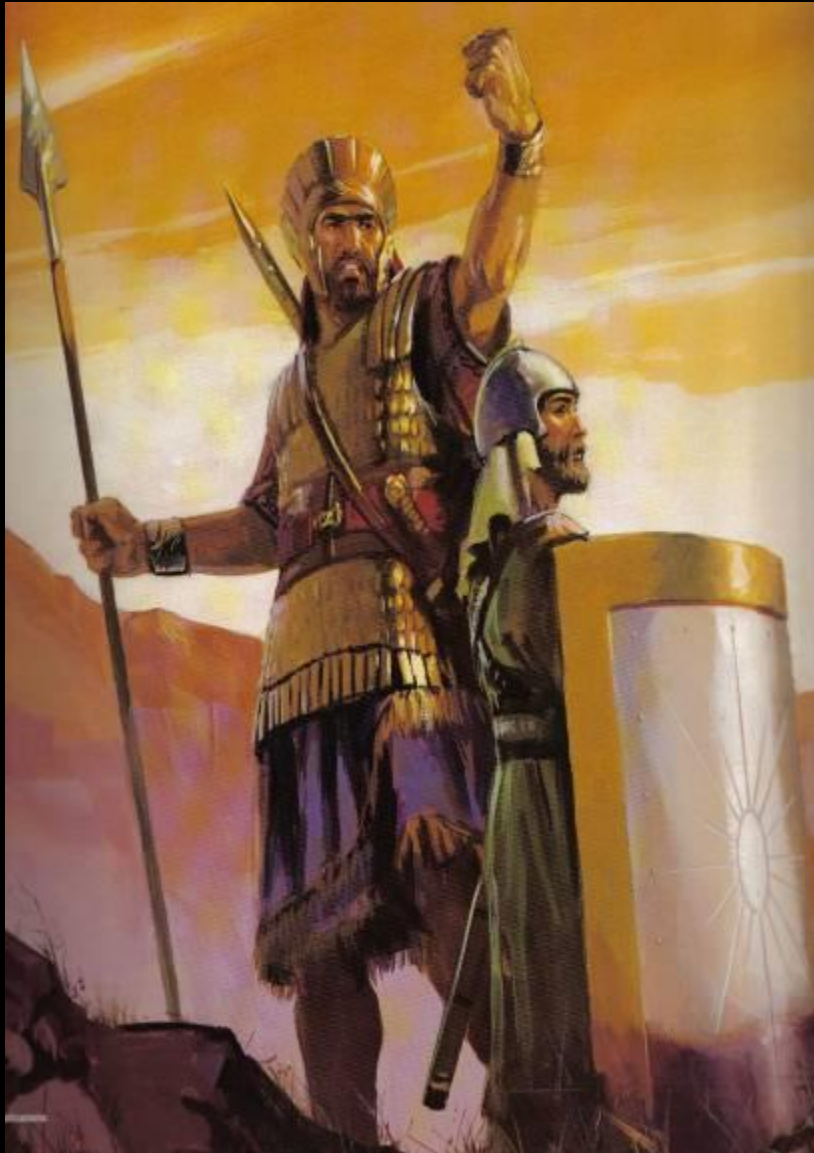
Background

- During the reign of Saul, when the kingdom is united
 - Israel and Philistia gathered on opposing hills

Valley of Elah as viewed by the Philistines



Background



- *Champion:* Goliath of Gath in Philistia



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- Goliath proposes winner-take-all contest
- Israel and King Saul are afraid
- David delivers food to his brothers - soldiers



David Hears Goliath's Challenge

- David is responsible and obedient (v. 20)
- Hears the challenge while greeting brethren (vs. 22-23)
- What was David's reaction? (v. 24)

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- What happens to the one who kills the giant?
- He asked again for confirmation (vs. 26-27)



Mark 10:28 - 31

- Mar 10:28 Then Peter spoke up, "We have left everything to follow you!"
- Mar 10:29 "Truly I tell you," Jesus replied, "no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel 30 will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age: homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields—along with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. 31 But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

2 Thess. 1:3,11, 12

- 2Th 1:3 We ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for one another is increasing...
- 11 With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling, and that by **his power** he may bring to fruition your every desire for **goodness** and your every deed prompted by faith. 12 We pray this so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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- What happens to the one who kills the giant?
- He asked again for confirmation (vs. 26-27)
- Sibling rivalry – Eliab's chiding of David (v. 28 -30)



David Accepts the Challenge

- “I will fight Goliath” (vs. 32, 46-47)
- Met the lion and bear in private (v. 34-37)
- Had to be himself (vs. 38-39)
- Approaches Goliath (vs. 40-49)
- Knew the power to overcome was not of himself (45-47)



God Grants the Victory By the Hand of David

- David loved and trusted God.
- Victory came through God's gracious power and David's willingness to sacrifice.

