



THE MAKING OF THE KING

I SAMUEL



Giant Killer



1 Samuel 17:1-11 (ESV)

Now the Philistines gathered their armies for battle. And they were gathered at Socoh, which belongs to Judah, and encamped between Socoh and Azekah, in Ephes-dammim. ² And Saul and the men of Israel were gathered, and encamped in the Valley of Elah,



1 Samuel 17:1-11 (ESV)

and drew up in line of battle against the Philistines. ³ And the Philistines stood on the mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on the mountain on the other side, with a valley between them.



1 Samuel 17:1-11 (ESV)

⁴ And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. ⁵ He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail, and the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze.



1 Samuel 17:1-11 (ESV)

⁶ And he had bronze armor on his legs, and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders.

⁷ The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron. And his shield-bearer went before him.



1 Samuel 17:1-11 (ESV)

⁸ He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, “Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. ⁹ If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants.



1 Samuel 17:1-11 (ESV)

But if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us.”¹⁰ And the Philistine said, “I defy the ranks of Israel this day. Give me a man, that we may fight together.”



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¹¹ When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid.



Saul and Goliath



1 Samuel 17:24 (ESV)

**All the men of Israel, when they saw the man,
fled from him and were much afraid.**



1 Sam 10:23 (ESV)

Then they ran and took him from there. And when he stood among the people, he was taller than any of the people from his shoulders upward.



David and Goliath



1 Sam 17:27c (ESV)

For who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?



1 Samuel 17:34-37 (ESV)

³⁴ But David said to Saul, “Your servant used to keep sheep for his father. And when there came a lion, or a bear, and took a lamb from the flock, ³⁵ I went after him and struck him and delivered it out of his mouth.



1 Samuel 17:34-37 (ESV)

And if he arose against me, I caught him by his beard and struck him and killed him. ³⁶ Your servant has struck down both lions and bears, and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, for he has defied the armies of the living God.”



1 Samuel 17:34-37 (ESV)

³⁷ And David said, “The LORD who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine.”



1 Samuel 17:43-47 (ESV)

⁴³ And the Philistine said to David, “Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?” And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. ⁴⁴ The Philistine said to David, “Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the beasts of the field.”



1 Samuel 17:43-47 (ESV)

⁴⁵ Then David said to the Philistine, “You come to me with a sword and 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. ⁴⁶ This day the LORD will deliver you into my hand,



1 Samuel 17:43-47 (ESV)

and I will strike you down and cut off your head. And I will give the dead bodies of the host of the Philistines this day to the birds of the air and to the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel,



1 Samuel 17:43-47 (ESV)

⁴⁷ and that all this assembly may know that the LORD saves not with sword and spear. For the battle is the LORD's, and he will give you into our hand."



**Victory belongs to God. And God
delights to win amidst the
weaknesses of his followers.**



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