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1 Samuel 17:31-52

The well-known story of David and Goliath teaches believers that obstacles in our life are no match for God. Whether our Goliath is a relational challenge or an overwhelming situation, we must realize that the Lord is sovereign over everything in heaven and on earth, and He has the power to give us the victory.

David had unshakeable trust because past experience had proven that God was faithful. The young shepherd recalled how the Lord gave him the victory on two separate occasions, when a lion and a bear threatened his flock (1 Sam. 17:37).

Our faith is bolstered in a similar way by remembering God's provision in our own life and by reading about His faithfulness to men and women in the Bible. This is why it's helpful to keep a record of God's faithfulness. Then when facing a trial, we can look back at what we've journaled and be strengthened, knowing that God has proven trustworthy in the past.

Trusting in the Lord gives us the courage to face our giants. Being so armed, we can respond to challenges on the basis of three important truths:

- *Who Christ is in us—our Savior and Provider.*
- *Who we are in Christ—God’s adopted children, eternally secure and indwelt by the Holy Spirit.*
- *What we have in Christ—the promise of access to almighty God.*

Instead of fixing our attention on how big the obstacle is, let’s begin focusing on the greatness of our God. If we’ll trust and obey Him, His Spirit will equip us for the challenge, and our faith will glorify Him.

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