

David, Christ & You

David and Goliath

- 1st Samuel 17

- INTRODUCTION:

- There this theory....

- “When you read the bible, you look for two people in every story...
Jesus and yourself”

- We are going to look at some stories from the life of David this weekend...

- But, we are not going to be looking only at David...

- We’ll see that it is easy to see Christ in the life of David...

- But, most importantly we’ll be looking for ourselves...

- For YOU...

- That is the only thing that really matters...

- Three different kinds of stories...

- Example, Association and Contrast:
 - 1) David as an example of Christ
 - 2) David AND his friend BOTH acting as examples of Christ
 - 3) NEITHER David nor those around him acting Christlike

- We'll find that it's fairly easy to see Christ in all of these examples...
- But, the really important, really valuable lesson for us is to see OURSELVES in these lessons...
- That's the part I can't teach...
- That's the part that you need to learn the most...
- The first lesson that we'll look at is this story of **David and Goliath**
- Summary of Story: (1st Samuel 17)
 - The battle takes place at Shochoh - **Verse 1**
 - The biggest of the ungodly is defying Israel and showing disrespect to God
 - He covered in Brass... Symbolic of Sin... - **Verse 5-7**
 - Israel is being challenged and taunted by this sinful man - **Verse 10**
 - Israel's leader is not fulfilling his responsibility - **Verse 11**
 - The people had asked for him - Give us a King! But he let them down...
 - The king even offers his daughter to whoever can kill this ungodly one
 - The sinful man taunts Israel for 40 days - **Verse 16**
 - David's father sends David (the shepherd) to... bring bread to his brethren
 - David decides to fight the Ungodly
 - To defend God's honor
 - David's brethren are not pleased by his decision
 - David rejects the armor that Saul offers him
 - Why? Because he hasn't proved it - **Verses 38-39**
 - It did fit him... Saul wasn't crazy to offer it... But David didn't trust it as much as he trusted in God

- David goes in faith knowing that God will deliver him
 - Like He has before - **Verses 34-36**
- David chooses five stones to fight with... But, uses only one - **Verse 40**
- David kills him with a shot to the head - **Verse 49**
- Israel is saved and David becomes their saviour
- David cuts off the head and brings it to bury it in Jerusalem - **Verse 57**
- It's easy to see David as a symbol of Christ
- The battlefield that Jesus walks onto is Sin
 - David fought Goliath at Shochoh
 - Shochoh means "Trapped"
 - Sin has Israel trapped
 - Jeremiah 17:9: "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?"
 - Romans 7:18: "For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not."
 - Sin comes taunting and defying God
 - 1st Peter 5:8: "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour..."
- Goliath taunted Israel for 40 Days
 - Jesus faced Sin down for 40 Days during his temptation
- The leaders (scribes and pharisees) are not doing their job in defending
 - Matthew 15:14: "Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch."
- God sends his son to bring "bread to his brethren" - The Shepherd

- Matthew 15:24: “But he answered and said, I am sent unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel.”
- Jesus decides to fight sin - to honor his Father
 - Matthew 26:39: “O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.”
- His brethren are not pleased by his decision
 - Luke 22:2: “And the chief priests and scribes sought how they might kill him; for they feared the people.”
- Jesus rejects the help that the world offers him
 - Ephesians 6:11-13: “Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.”
- Jesus goes in faith knowing that God will deliver him... as he did in the past...
 - Luke 22:43: “And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him.”
- Jesus has the five books of the law... But uses only one - Deuteronomy
 - Matthew 4:4: “But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.” - Deuteronomy 8:3
 - Matthew 4:7: “Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.” - Deuteronomy 6:16
 - Matthew 4:10: “Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.” - Deuteronomy 6:13
- The battle occurs at a place called Golgotha - The Place of THE Skull
 - Matthew 27:33: “And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull...”
- Victory comes by a “blow to the head” of sin

- Genesis 3:15: “And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.”
- Israel is saved and Jesus is their saviour
 - 1st John 4:14: “And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.”
- His reward is the Bride
 - Revelation 21:2: “And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.”
- Seeing yourself in the picture, might be a little more difficult...
 - You don't have to walk out onto a battlefield with a sling and kill a giant
 - You don't have to face sin to the point of death on the cross...
- How are YOU like David, in the story of David and Goliath?
 - Or, more importantly, how am I am like David?
- We find ourself in the same kind of situation every day...
 - Sin is encamped all around you...
 - You might even think that it has you Trapped...
 - It comes taunting and defying
 - Nah Nee, Nah Nee, Nah Nee....
 - It's right in your face... Every single day...
 - It doesn't believe that God can help you...
 - There are no leaders who can help you...
 - No one in this world can help you...
- God has sent you to “bring bread” to your brethren

- Our role here is to help those around us... To “feed” our brethren...
- You must fight sin - to honor your Heavenly Father
 - You can’t allow sin to win...
 - You have to take a stand against it...
- Sometimes, your own brethren will not help you in your quest
 - The people around you will sometimes feel threatened by your right actions, and guilty about their wrong actions, and they will lash out at you, like David’s brethren did...
 - Their arguments won’t be right, but it will still hurt your feelings...
- You must reject the help that the world offers you
 - The world will try to offer you it’s armor... The best advice that it can give in trying to fight this war against sin...
 - But don’t trust it... You haven’t proved it...
- You have to go in faith knowing that God will deliver you
 - You CAN’T do it yourself
 - God WILL deliver you... As he has done in the past...
- You will have things to chose to help you in this battle?
- What **ONE** thing will you use?
- Will you strike a deathblow to Sin - Right between the eyes...
 - Your reward is being the Bride
 - Matthew 25:34 - “Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:”