****David and Goliath: Standing Your Ground**

*1 Samuel 17*

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1. **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Courage**

With his mind fixed upon the LORD, David spoke to the king and provided a word of encouragement for the men as he took his stance with God. Many are strengthened when they see the courage of another.

*Acts 4:13 ~ Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they were astonished. And they recognized that they had been with Jesus.*

1. **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Remembrance**

David recalled the times when God rescued him. Looking back upon the times when God delivered you with His mighty hand will give you the fortification you need to face the battle.

*2 Corinthians 1:10 ~ He delivered us from such a deadly peril, and he will deliver us. On him we have set our hope that he will deliver us again.*

1. **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Confidence**

David stood against the Philistine’s greatest warrior, and fearlessly declared his confidence in God. Let us also find boldness in our faith as we stand our ground in Christ.

*Acts 20:24 ~ “But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.”*

**Ephesians 6:13**

**Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.**

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**Additional Scripture References**

*(And Rabbit Trails Bible Study)*

**1 Thessalonians 2:14-15**

*For you, brothers, became imitators of the churches of God in Christ Jesus that are in Judea. For you suffered the same things from your own countrymen as they did from the Jews, who killed both the Lord Jesus and the prophets, and drove us out, and displease God and oppose all mankind.*

**John 12:42**

*Nevertheless, many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue.*

**Psalm 27:14**

*Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!*

**Philippians 1:14**

*And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.*

**Judges 8:34**

*And the people of Israel did not remember the Lord their God, who had delivered them from the hand of all their enemies on every side.*

**2 Timothy 3:11**

*...my persecutions and sufferings that happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra—which persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me.*

**Hebrews 13:6**

*So we can confidently say, “The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?”*

**1 Thessalonians 2:2**

*But though we had already suffered and been shamefully treated at Philippi, as you know, we had boldness in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in the midst of much conflict.*