

DAVID AND GOLIATH: An Improbable, Certain Victory 1 Samuel 17

Central Idea: *Just as God's Spirit abided in David, the Holy Spirit abides in believers today giving us boldness and courage in a time of need.*

A few things to know about the David and Goliath story ...

🔗 The Setting

- The battleground (1-3)
- The challenger (4-11)

🔗 The Shepherd Boy/Warrior

- David and his brothers (12-30)

- David and Saul (31-37)

- David and Goliath (38-54)

🔗 The Lesson to Learn (36, 45-47)

Questions for Personal Reflection or Group Discussion

1. Consider the main characters of this famous story. What role do they each play in helping us understand the main lesson from the story?
2. Saul and David are contrasted in this account. List the differences you see.
3. Why do you think Saul and army of Israel were so afraid even though they served the living God?
4. What role did David's past (shepherding) play in building his faith for this moment?
5. Read 1 Samuel 16.13. What do we see here that helps us understand the battle in chapter 17?
6. What does it look like to have David-like faith today in our real-life situations? What role does the indwelling Holy Spirit have in helping us live faith-filled lives?
7. In what areas of your life do you tend to rely on your own strength rather than God's strength?

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This outline is provided to assist you in understanding and applying today's message. *David and Goliath: An Improbable, Certain Victory* is the fourth message in a series on the Life of David. This message can be listened to or downloaded at cbcomaha.org.

Life of David



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1 SAMUEL 17:4-7

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- One of the greatest and best-known stories of the Bible
- First full-blown story of David's life
- Comes at critical time in Israel's history

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➤ The Setting (1-11)

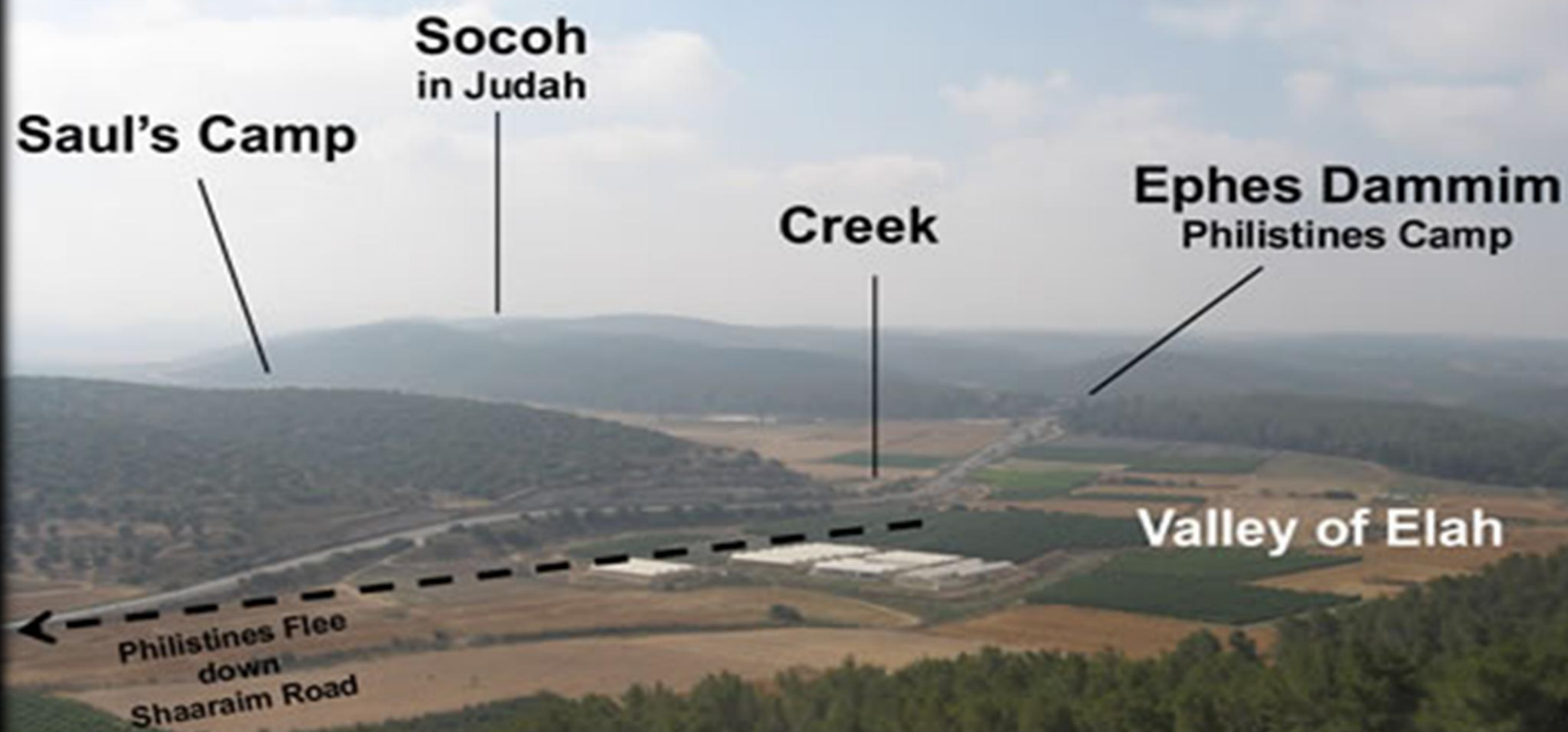


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8' 11"





Weaver's Beam



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 - Brothers
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 - Goliath





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