

### ***“The Life of David” – III***

#### **INTRODUCTION:**

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- Choose your battles ... know your real enemy.
- Remember God's victories – **1 Samuel 17:33-36**

**17:37** – Saul gives David an “*empty cliché*”.

**17:38-39** – What works for somebody else, might not work for you.

- Don't try to imitate someone else ... if God's given you a sword, use it ... if God's given you a sling-shot, use it.

**17:40** – Trust God, and He'll win the battle ... it's **HIS BATTLE!**

**17:41-47** – David's eyes were on God, not the giant.

- Don't try to fight your “*giant*” in the **FLESH**.

**17:48-50** – Goliath had 4 sons – **2 Samuel 21:20-22**

**17:50-51** – Was Goliath killed by the stone, or the sword?

- What the Philistines **DID** – **17:51b** - cp.- **SAID** – **17:9**

**17:52-53** – Israel chased them ... took trophies – **17:54-57**

- The Philistines take trophies of their own – **31:8-10**

**18:6-7** – David becomes a “*hero*” – **18:2,5**

**18:8-9** – Saul becomes **JEALOUS** of David.

- **JEALOUSY** makes you do terrible things – **James 3:16**,  
**Proverbs 14:30**

- **JEALOUSY** is seen in ... Lucifer ... Cain & Abel ...  
Joseph's brothers ... Elder Son.

- The antidote for jealousy – **Phil. 4:12-13** – **CONTENTMENT**.

- Focusing on God brings **CONTENTMENT**.

- God is “*jealous*” ... it's His name – **Exodus 34:14**, **Exodus 20:3-4**

- Nothing has priority over God ... He has no rivals ... so God can be righteously “*jealous*”.

- Jealousy when Christians flirted with the world – **2 Cor. 11:2**

- The Father is “*jealous*” when cheat on His Son – **1 Cor. 10:21-22**

- It's not wise to make Almighty God **JEALOUS!**

#### **CONCLUSION:**

- Use what God has given you ... don't try to be anybody else.
- God made you “*special*”, and has a special ministry for you.
- Your “*giant*” is no comparison to your **GOD** – **17:47**