

“Destroying Your Giants” – Part 1 Sermon Outline

Based on 1 Samuel 16 and 17

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A. The Prophet Samuel Journeys to Bethlehem

1. Jesse had _____ sons.
2. Samuel examines the first seven and is very impressed by their _____.
3. 1 Samuel 16:7 “God does not see the same way people see. People look at the _____ of a person, but the Lord looks at the _____.”
4. The Prophet asks a question (16:11)
 - a. The Hebrew word for “youngest son” is ‘haqqaton’. It has more to do with _____ than _____.
 - b. It means “insignificant” or “not counting for much”.
 - c. NOTE: Jesse did not even call David by his _____. (like he almost forgot he had another son!)
 - d. David had been sent out into the wilderness, away from home and family. He was doing the work of a _____ or _____.

B. Eliab’s Attitude Toward His Brother

1. 1 Samuel 17:28
2. Why is Eliab so angry?
3. What is “friendly fire”?

C. David’s “pedigree”

1. In the Bible, more is written about David (_____ chapters), than about anyone else, except _____! (But very little about his birth or early childhood.)
2. Is it possible David’s birth occurred under questionable circumstances?
3. What we know:
 - a. Jesse does not use David’s name but calls him “haqqaton”
 - b. He was “ruddy” (red hair). Maybe he looked different than the rest of his brothers (see description of Esau in Genesis 25;25, 30). Could David’s mother have been an Edomite?
 - c. David was sent out into the wilderness to keep sheep (the job of a servant or slave.)

- d. Maybe he was sent away from home to keep from embarrassing his family (“out of sight, out of mind”).
- e. The hatred and disdain his brothers showed toward David.
- f. David’s Own Writings
 - i. Psalm 69:8
 - ii. Psalm 69:22
 - iii. Psalm 69:12
 - iv. Psalm 69:19, 20
 - v. Psalm 51:5
 - vi. David’s relationship with God becomes strong... See Psalm 23.
 - vii. What was David’s greatest FEAR? Psalm 51:11, 12

**D. God’s Way of “choosing” are not OUR ways!
(See Isaiah 55:8,9 and Matthew 1 (Jesus’ Genealogy))**

- 1. 1 Corinthians 1:26-28

E. Can you identify with David?

F. What did David DO, in spite of his circumstances?

- 1. He focused on developing his God-given _____ and _____.
- 2. He focused on developing a stronger _____ with his God.
- 3. We can do the same!

G. Why does the Bible call David a “man after God’s own heart”? (Acts 13:22)

- 1. David had a _____ - _____ heart.
- 2. We can, too!

REMEMBER: Your heavenly Father knows your heart and because He does, He has a special place and work reserved just for you!

MY heavenly Father knows MY heart and because He does, He has a special place and work reserved just for ME!