

St. Paul's Notes

How To Slay the Giants – Part 2

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“Giant” Statements About Giants

1. Every giant introduces a person to **THEMSELF**
2. People who reach “Giant” **POSITIONS** have defeated Giants.
3. Giants are often tools by which God fashions us for **BIGGER THINGS**.

List the “Giants” in Your Life

- 1.
- 2.

10 Characteristics of Giant-Killers

1. Giant-Killers Don't Start Off as **GIANT-KILLERS** .
(17:14-24)

Observations:

- A. David was **FAITHFUL** in the small tasks
 - B. The Army was **UNFAITHFUL** in the big tasks.
2. Giant-Killers See the Potential **REWARD** if They Defeat the Giant. (17:25-27)

Observations:

The Army saw **GOLIATH** David saw **GOD**

The Army saw the **PROBLEM** David saw the **POTENTIAL**

3. Giant-Killers Don't Listen to Doubting **CRITICS**.
(17:28-33, 41-44)

To handle the critics we must do 3 things:

- (1) We must get by the **ELIABS**.
They are over us **EMOTIONALLY**

Observations:

Criticism hurts when:

1. It comes from someone **OVER** us.
 2. It questions our **MOTIVES**.
 3. It is **CONTINUAL**.
 4. It comes from people who have known us for a long time.
- (2) We must get by the **SAUL'S** of life.
They are over us **POSITIONALLY**.
 - (3) We must get by the **GOLIATH'S**.
They are over us **IN ABILITY**.

4. Giant-Killers Are Not Overwhelmed by the **CHALLENGE** (17:32)

Observations:

- A. Our “Giants” **CHALLENGE** us.
- B. Our “Giants” have a **REPUTATION**.
- C. Our “Giants” **CONTINUALLY** show up.
- D. Our “Giants” keep defeating us **PSYCHOLOGICALLY**
- E. Others on our side are **AFRAID**.
- F. We come together and never deal with the **GIANT**.

QUESTION

Why wasn't David overwhelmed?

He had:

1. A passion for God to be honored.
2. Desire for the reward.
3. Confidence in God and himself.

PART 2

5. Giant-Killers Build on Past _____ (17:34-37)

David's confidence was based on:

A.

B.

List something in your life that you have accomplished:

Success comes after you experience:

1. A challenge or problem

2. Self Doubt

3. A commitment to do your best.

Which of those three do you think we most often forget when we recall our past glories?

Observations:

(1) David reminded _____ of the faithfulness of God

(2) David reminded _____ of the faithfulness of God.

6. Giant-Killers Convince Others That They Will be _____

(17:37b)

7. Giant-Killers Don't Try to be _____

(17:38-40)

Observations:

(1) During a crisis, people will try to make you like them.

(2) You will never defeat the giants in your life with _____.

(3) God only expects us to use what we have to _____

our giants.

8. Giant-Killers Face the Challenge with a _____

(17:45-47)

9. Giant-Killers Are _____ To Win. (17:48)

Why did David Choose Five Stones? (vs 40)

(1)

(2)

10. Giant-Killers Take Those Around Them to a _____

(17: 49-52)

Conclusion:

Giant-Killers . . .

(1) Consider the Cause

(2) Count the Cost

(3) Chart the Course