

THE LIFE OF

DAVID

KNOWING GOD

1 Sam. 17

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DAVID & GOLIATH - 1 SAM. 17:45,48-50

45 But David said Goliath, “You come to me with a sword, a spear, and
a saber, but I come to you in the name of the Lord of armies, the God of the
armies of Israel, whom you have defied….48 Then it happened, when the
Philistine came closer to meet David, that David ran quickly toward the
battle line to meet the Philistine. 49 And David put his hand into his bag and
took from it a stone and slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead.
And the stone penetrated his forehead, and he fell on his face to the
ground. 50 So David prevailed over the Philistine with the sling and the
stone: he struck the Philistine and killed him.



FIVE PILLARS TO KNOWING GOD

1. He embraced the quiet and solitude of the fields.

   Ps. 46:10 - “Be still and know that I am God.”

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2. He communed with God through nature.

Ps. 19:1 The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

2 Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.

3 They have no speech, they use no words; no sound is heard from them.

4 Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.

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3. <u>He multiplied his understanding of God through meditation on the Law</u>

<u>Ps. 1:2</u> But his delight is in the Law of the Lord,
And on His Law he meditates day and night.
[3]He will be like a tree planted by streams of water,
Which yields its fruit in its season,
And its leaf does not wither;
And in whatever he does, he prospers.



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4. <u>He feared the Lord.</u>

<u>Prov. 1:7</u> - “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge.”

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5. He loved and cultivated the presence of God.

Ps. 27:4 - One thing I have asked from the Lord, that I shall seek:
That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
To behold the beauty of the Lord and to meditate in His temple.

Ps. 26:8 - Lord, I love the dwelling of Your house, And the place where Your glory remains.

WHAT "DOING EXPLOITS" LOOKS LIKE

1. You have faith when others have fear.

> 1 Sam. 17:32 - And David said to Saul, "May no one's heart fail on account of him; your servant will go and fight this Philistine!"

WHAT "DOING EXPLOITS" LOOKS LIKE

2. <u>You possess a divine confidence (which no one else has)</u>.

> <u>1 Sam. 17:37,40</u> – [37]And David said, "The Lord who saved me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear, He will save me from the hand of this Philistine…. [40]Then he took his staff in his hand and chose for himself five smooth stones from the brook, and put them in the shepherd's bag which he had, that is, in his shepherd's pouch, and his sling was in his hand; and he approached the Philistine.

WHAT "DOING EXPLOITS" LOOKS LIKE

3. You bring glory to God not yourself.

> 1 Sam. 17:45 - But David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with a sword, a spear, and a saber, but I come to you in the name of the Lord of armies, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.

WHAT "DOING EXPLOITS" LOOKS LIKE

4. <u>You finish what you start and you end strong.</u>

> <u>1 Sam. 17:50-51</u> - 50So David prevailed over the Philistine with the sling and the stone: he struck the Philistine and killed him, and there was no sword in David's hand. 51Then David ran and stood over the Philistine, and took his sword and drew it out of its sheath and finished him, and cut off his head with it.

WHAT "DOING EXPLOITS" LOOKS LIKE

5. You release a breakthrough spirit and blessing to the people around you.

1 Sam. 17:51-53 [51]...When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled. [52]Then the men of Israel and Judah rose up and shouted, and they pursued the Philistines as far as the valley, and to the gates of Ekron. And the Philistine dead lay along the way to Shaaraim, even to Gath and Ekron. [53]Then the sons of Israel returned from their close pursuit of the Philistines, and plundered their camps.