

David's Day, God's Victory

David began this day under authority

Saul's authority, 16:21; 17:15

Jesse's authority

David was the lowest on the family totem pole, 16:11

**Taking care of sheep was a menial job, dangerous job,
lonely job, difficult, thankless job.**

He was faithful in the routine

He did his duty when nobody but God was watching.

He learned to trust God when nobody was watching

He learned to love God when nobody was watching.

He was humble in service

He had been anointed King, yet he was tending sheep

Under these circumstances, God grows him

**Under these circumstances, God gives him the opportunity of a
lifetime**

David obeyed his father, 17:17-22

David is surprised by Israel's response to Goliath

17:20b, v 24

He is left standing there by himself!

What Israel saw, 17:1-10

9'6" 400-500 lbs

coat of mail, 125-200 lbs

15-20 lbs

Bronze glistened in the sunlight

Noise

Echo across the valley

Place debated

What Israel heard

17:8-11

How Israel responded

17:11

What David heard

What David saw

What giant? The only giant in my life is God! Who is this? 17:26, 45-47 He saw and knew him who was invisible

What David said

17:26

What David did,

17:32

What David remembered, 34-37

He had been tested, dokimos

David had confidence in God...

He won this day because he had won other days.

He had won the battles with the Loin, bear, but also the enemies of his heart, pride, jealousy, lack of esteem by his family.

David's enemies that day

Eliab 17:22, 28

Eliab had a proud arrogant heart.

David kept focus

Saul, 17:33

You can't, you are too young

You better do it the right way, 17:38-40

David kept focus.

Goliath

You are a "stick" I will curse you! I despise you.

I've been waiting 40 days for this?

David's victory—God's!

17:47-50

So what?

Waste no experience for God. They are training grounds for ministry.

Learn to know and trust God in humbling difficult experiences. David had many and would have many more. But they prepared him for effective service for God.

David beat Goliath because of battles he won on other days when nobody watched

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