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<sup>2</sup> Now David was the son of that Ephrathite of Bethlehemjudah, whose name was Jesse; and he had eight sons: and the man went among men for an old man in the days of Saul. <sup>13</sup> And the three eldest sons of Jesse went and followed Saul to the battle: and the names of his three sons that went to the battle were Eliab the firstborn, and next unto him Abinadab, and the third Shammah. <sup>14</sup> And David was the youngest: and the three eldest followed Saul.

A. Elder brothers followed Saul into Battle. Verse 14 repeated that they followed Saul.

b. David was the youngest.

c. He was the most optimistic. He had more to live for. He was a novice and did not fully understand the danger.

1. David represents hopefulness

2. Determination to live

3. Generational differences

<sup>15</sup> But David went and returned from Saul to feed his father's sheep at Bethlehem.

<sup>16</sup> And the Philistine drew near morning and evening and presented himself forty days.

<sup>17</sup> And Jesse said unto David his son, Take now for thy brethren an ephah of this parched corn, and these ten loaves, and run to the camp of thy brethren;

<sup>18</sup> And carry these ten cheeses unto the captain of their thousand, and look how thy brethren fare, and take their pledge.

<sup>19</sup> Now Saul, and they, and all the men of Israel, were in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines.

<sup>20</sup> And David rose up early in the morning, and left the sheep with a keeper, and took, and went, as Jesse had commanded him; and he came to the trench, as the host was going forth to the fight, and shouted for the battle.

<sup>21</sup> For Israel and the Philistines had put the battle in array, army against army.

<sup>22</sup> And David left his carriage in the hand of the keeper of the carriage, and ran into the army, and came and saluted his brethren.<sup>23</sup> And as he talked with them, behold, there came up the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, out of the armies of the Philistines, and spake according to the same words: and David heard them. <sup>24</sup> And all the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled from him, and were sore afraid.

a. David needed to examine the situation with having any responsibility to solve the **problem**.

b. He was able to experience the danger without being personally responsible for defeating the enemy.

c. He had to see that the people who were supposed to be fighting for the people of God were serving but they were afraid.

Matthew 16:17

And Jesus said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.

1 John 4:1

Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

<sup>25</sup> And the men of Israel said, Have ye seen this man that is come up? surely to defy Israel is he come up: and it shall be, that the man who killeth him, the king will enrich him with great riches, and will give him his daughter, and make his father's house free in Israel.<sup>26</sup> And David spake to the men that stood by him, saying, What shall be done to the man that killeth this Philistine, and taketh away the reproach from Israel? for who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the

armies of the living God? <sup>27</sup> And the people answered him after this manner, saying, So shall it be done to the man that killeth him.

**A. David heard the reward for standing up to Goliath**

**b. The reward was going to affect his future.**

**c. David had a desire to receive the future blessings. And he saw Goliath as a barrier to it.**

**Romans 15:13** - Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

**Hebrews 11:1** - Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

**John 20:31** - But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

<sup>28</sup> And Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spake unto the men; and Eliab's anger was kindled against David, and he said, Why camest thou down hither? and with whom hast thou left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know thy pride, and the naughtiness of thine heart; for thou art come down that thou mightest see the battle. <sup>29</sup> And David said, What have I now done? Is there not a cause?<sup>30</sup> And he turned from him toward another, and spake after the same manner: and the people answered him again after the former manner. <sup>31</sup> And when the words were heard which David spake, they rehearsed them before Saul: and he sent for him.

<sup>32</sup> And David said to Saul, Let no man's heart fail because of him; thy servant will go and fight with this Philistine. <sup>33</sup> And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou art but a youth, and he a man of war from his youth. <sup>34</sup> And David said unto Saul, Thy servant kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock: <sup>35</sup> And I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered it out of his mouth: and when he arose against me, I caught him by his beard, and smote him, and slew him. <sup>36</sup> Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them, seeing he hath defied the armies of the living God. <sup>37</sup> David said moreover, The LORD that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said unto David, Go, and the LORD be with thee.

- a. David was the only one who believed that he could defeat the giant.
- b. Saul thought because he was young it disqualified him.
- c. David had experiences that had nothing to do with military, or university training. He had other life experiences that he could rely on as training and experiences that qualify him.

1 Timothy 4:12 -Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

Psalm 34:8- O taste and see that the Lord is good; How blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

Hebrews 6:4-5- For in the case of those who have once been enlightened and have tasted of the heavenly gift and have been made partakers of the Holy Spirit, and have tasted the good word of God and the powers of the age to come,