

**Series: You Asked For It 2024**

**Title: Want Victory?**

**Text: (1 Sam 17)**

*“How do I experience Victory over the problems I am facing?”*

**We all have problems:** (Jn 16:33) (Prov 14:12)

We Live in a World full of Sinners. (2 Tim 3:12)

We Live with one of the biggest sinners of all: (Rom 7:18)

**Some problems are Inherited:** (Judges 1:28-2:1-4)

**Some Problems are Self Inflicted:** (Prov 3:1-10)

(Ecc 11:4)(Prov 22:13) *A lion w/o*

**Goliath was a Huge Problem:** (Vs 4-7)

**Problems won't be Ignored:** (Vs 8-11,16)

They will continue to come up & make themselves known. (Num 32:23)

You can't hide it, you are only fooling yourself. (Is 59:12)

God will shorten your life. (Ps 89:45)

God will judge you. (Ecc 11:9)

**David wasn't looking for a problem:** (Vs. 17-22)

**We all know the story:** (vs 49-50) (Ch 16:1-13)

So Ordinary his own father underestimated him. (Ch 16:11-13)

David got a unique opportunity to visit the kings court. (Ch 16:19, 23)

**I. David was Faithful in the Small Things:** (Vs 11, 15-20)

A. Lowest Position (girls job): (vs12-\*15)

1. The Christian Life is a Life of Routine:

B. David Was Diligent in the Small Things: (40 days Vs 16)

1. Diligent in His Responsibilities: “Found a keeper” (Vs 20)

2. Faithful in the face of Difficulty: (Vs 34-37)

(Prov 12:24, 29) (2 Cor 8:22)(1 Jn 3:22)

**II. David Was Willing to Serve Others:** (Ch 17:17-19)

A. Dad said Run (Vs 17)

B. No Mention about Anything for Himself: (vs 18)

C. (Vs 20) “*David arose up early*” (Prov 22:15)

**III. David Took Stand for God:** (Vs 23-26\*)

A. Be Totally Honest with yourself & God – Authenticity

B. Most of our Problems of our own making

C. How Much do you Really Love God?

(1 Sam 17:26b)(Matt 12:30)(Mark 8:38)(Acts 7:54-55)

**IV. David Didn't Take Personal Offense from Others:** (Vs 28-29)

A. How many of use would have lashed out: (Vs 28) (Phil 1:6)

**V. David had a Super Sized View of God:** (Vs 30-32)

(Mal 3:6)(Gal 2:8)(James 1:17)

A. Have Faith: (Heb 11:6) Don't Run from your problems.

(1 Cor 10:13) You are not the only person who has faced this.

(Deut 31:6,8) You are not facing this problem alone.

(Vs 26, 29) Is There Not a Cause! God's Reputation is at stake!

**VI. David Used God's Power to Everyday's Tasks.** (Vs 34-37)

A. Trust your Past Experience with God: (Vs 34-35)

B. Exercise Present Courage from Past Victories: (Vs 36-37)

C. Is it possible that is why you don't have victory: (Is 64:6)

D. (Rom 14:23) (Heb 11:6) (James 3:15)

E. Remember: Use the Gifts God Gave YOU! (Vs 38-40)

F. Trust God You are going through this for a Reason. (Ro 8:28-29)

(Vs 41-46) 3000 year old Trash Talk. (Eph 6:16)

**Don't be afraid! You can conquer it!** (Vs 49-50) (Ps 108:13)

(Phil 4:13) *I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me.*

***This is not too big for God:*** (Matt 19:26) (Vs 47 & 48)

**Don't run from problems, meet them head on!** (Vs 48)

**Don't give up:** Victory is possible (Mark 9:23)

**Use your weapons.** (Vs 49) (Eph 6:17) (He 4:12)

Prayer, Fasting, Bible Memory (Ps 119:9,11)

**God will use this as a witness to someone else!** (Vs 47)

**VII. When you deal with it, finish the Job!** (Vs 50-51)

A. Cut the Head Off:

B. Starve appetites: (Prov 23:2)

**HERE IS WHERE WE FAIL!!!!**

WE think you can keep it tied up so you can play with it later.

**Break off sinful relationships:** (Prov 13:20)

Don't wait till your problems get huge! (Song 2:15)

Many Adult habits were developed as a child: (Prov 22:6)

**Pay the Price Now!** (Deut 6:7)

(Prov 13:24)(Prov 19:18)(Prov 22:15)(Prov 23:13-14)(Prov 29:15)

(Prov 29:17)(Job 31:1)(Rom 6:1-2)

**Pay the Price NOW.**

Deal with the Inconvenience to your Entertainment NOW!

While there is Hope.

While the problems are small and manageable.

**When you deal with it, finish the Job!**

**Your Courage will encourage others!** (Vs 52)

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