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## Hebrews 12:1-2

**12 Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,**

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**let us strip off and throw aside every encumbrance (unnecessary weight) and that sin which so readily (deftly and cleverly) clings to and entangles us [AMP]**

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**let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. [NLT]**

# Facing Goliath

**Goliath Is Common**

## **1 Corinthians 10:13**

**13 The temptations in your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted, he will show you a way out so that you can endure.**

## **1 Samuel 17:1-7**

**1 The Philistines now mustered their army for battle and camped between Socoh in Judah and Azekah in Ephesdammim. 2 Saul countered with a buildup of forces at Elah Valley. 3 So the Philistines and Israelis faced each other on opposite hills, with the valley between them.**

**4-7 Then Goliath, a Philistine champion from Gath, came out of the Philistine ranks to face the forces of Israel. He was a giant of a man, measuring over nine feet tall! He wore a bronze helmet, a two-hundred-pound coat of mail, bronze leggings, and carried a bronze javelin several inches thick, tipped with a twenty-five-pound iron spearhead, and his armor-bearer walked ahead of him with a huge shield. [TLB]**

## **1 Samuel 17:8-13**

**8 He stood and shouted across to the Israelis, "Do you need a whole army to settle this? I will represent the Philistines, and you choose someone to represent you, and we will settle this in single combat! 9 If your man is able to kill me, then we will be your slaves. But if I kill him, then you must be our slaves! 10 I defy the armies of Israel! Send me a man who will fight with me!"**

**11 When Saul and the Israeli army heard this, they were dismayed and frightened. 12 David (the son of aging Jesse, a member of the tribe of Judah who lived in Bethlehem) had seven older brothers. 13 The three oldest-Eliab, Abinadab, and Shammah-had already volunteered for Saul's army to fight the Philistines.**



## **1 Samuel 17:14-18**

**14-15 David was the youngest son and was on Saul's staff on a part-time basis. He went back and forth to Bethlehem to help his father with the sheep. 16 For forty days, twice a day, morning and evening the Philistine giant strutted before the armies of Israel.**

**17 One day Jesse said to David, "Take this bushel of roasted grain and these ten loaves of bread to your brothers. 18 Give this cheese to their captain and see how the boys are getting along; and bring us back a letter from them!" [TLB]**



## **1 Samuel 17:20-24**

**20 So David left the sheep with another shepherd and took off early the next morning with the gifts. He arrived at the outskirts of the camp just as the Israeli army was leaving for the battlefield with shouts and battle cries.**

**21 Soon the Israeli and Philistine forces stood facing each other, army against army. 22 David left his luggage with a baggage officer and hurried out to the ranks to find his brothers.**

**23 As he was talking with them, he saw Goliath the giant step out from the Philistine troops and shout his challenge to the army of Israel. 24 As soon as they saw him the Israeli army began to run away in fright. [TLB]**

**Your Weapons Are NOT  
Common**

## **2 Corinthians 10:3-6**

**3 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh.**

**4 For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds,**

**5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ**

## **1 Samuel 17:25-27**

**25 "Have you seen the giant?" the soldiers were asking. "He has insulted the entire army of Israel. And have you heard about the huge reward the king has offered to anyone who kills him? And the king will give him one of his daughters for a wife, and his whole family will be exempted from paying taxes!"**

**26 David talked to some others standing there to verify the report. "What will a man get for killing this Philistine and ending his insults to Israel?" he asked them. "Who is this heathen Philistine, anyway, that he is allowed to defy the armies of the living God?" 27 And he received the same reply as before. [TLB]**

## **1 Samuel 17:28-31**

**28 But when David's oldest brother, Eliab, heard David talking like that, he was angry. "What are you doing around here, anyway?" he demanded. "What about the sheep you're supposed to be taking care of? I know what a cocky brat you are; you just want to see the battle!"**

**29 "What have I done now?" David replied. "I was only asking a question!"**

**30 And he walked over to some others and asked them the same thing and received the same answer. 31 When it was finally realized what David meant, someone told King Saul, and the king sent for him. [TLB]**

## **1 Samuel 17:32-35**

**32 "Don't worry about a thing," David told him. "I'll take care of this Philistine!"**

**33 "Don't be ridiculous!" Saul replied. "How can a kid like you fight with a man like him? You are only a boy, and he has been in the army since he was a boy!"**

**34 But David persisted. "When I am taking care of my father's sheep," he said, "and a lion or a bear comes and grabs a lamb from the flock, 35 I go after it with a club and take the lamb from its mouth. If it turns on me, I catch it by the jaw and club it to death.**



## **1 Samuel 17:36-37**

**36 I have done this to both lions and bears, and I'll do it to this heathen Philistine too, for he has defied the armies of the living God!**

**37 The Lord who saved me from the claws and teeth of the lion and the bear will save me from this Philistine!"**

**Saul finally consented, "All right, go ahead," he said, "and may the Lord be with you!" [TLB]**



## **Philippians 4:13**

**13 I have strength for all things in Christ Who empowers me [I am ready for anything and equal to anything through Him Who infuses inner strength into me; I am self-sufficient in Christ's sufficiency].**

## **1 John 4:4**

**4 You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.**

## **Ephesians 3:20**

**20 Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us**

## **2 Corinthians 10:4**

**4 The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds.**

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**4 For the weapons of our warfare are not physical [weapons of flesh and blood], but they are mighty before God for the overthrow and destruction of strongholds,**

**AMP**

**4 I use God's mighty weapons, not those made by men, to knock down the devil's strongholds.**

**TLB**

**Unleash Your Weapons**

## **1 Samuel 17:38-44**

**38-39 Then Saul gave David his own armor-a bronze helmet and a coat of mail. David put it on, strapped the sword over it, and took a step or two to see what it was like, for he had never worn such things before. "I can hardly move!" he exclaimed, and took them off again. 40 Then he picked up five smooth stones from a stream and put them in his shepherd's bag and, armed only with his shepherd's staff and sling, started across to Goliath. 41-42 Goliath walked out toward David with his shield-bearer ahead of him, sneering in contempt at this nice little red-cheeked boy!**

**43 "Am I a dog," he roared at David, "that you come at me with a stick?" And he cursed David by the names of his gods. 44 "Come over here and I'll give your flesh to the birds and wild animals," Goliath yelled. [TLB]**

## **1 Samuel 17:45-47**

**45 David shouted in reply, "You come to me with a sword and a spear, but I come to you in the name of the Lord of the armies of heaven and of Israel-the very God whom you have defied.**

**46 Today the Lord will conquer you, and I will kill you and cut off your head; and then I will give the dead bodies of your men to the birds and wild animals, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel!**

**47 And Israel will learn that the Lord does not depend on weapons to fulfill his plans-he works without regard to human means! He will give you to us!" [TLB]**



## **1 Samuel 17:48-53**

**48-49 As Goliath approached, David ran out to meet him and, reaching into his shepherd's bag, took out a stone, hurled it from his sling, and hit the Philistine in the forehead. The stone sank in, and the man fell on his face to the ground. 50-51 So David conquered the Philistine giant with a sling and a stone. Since he had no sword, he ran over and pulled Goliath's sword from its sheath and killed him with it, and then cut off his head. When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they turned and ran.**

**52 Then the Israelites gave a great shout of triumph and rushed after the Philistines, chasing them as far as Gath and the gates of Ekron. The bodies of the dead and wounded Philistines were strewn all along the road to Shaaraim. 53 Then the Israeli army returned and plundered the deserted Philistine camp. [TLB]**



## **Galatians 5:16-17**

**16 I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.**

**17 For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.**

## **Philippians 4:6-8**

**6 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;**

**7 and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.**

**8 Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy — meditate on these things.**

## **Colossians 3:1-3**

**1 If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God.**

**2 Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.**

**3 For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.**

## **2 Peter 1:3-4**

**3 His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue,**

**4 by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.**

## **Mark 11:22-24**

**22 So Jesus answered and said to them, "Have faith in God.**

**23 For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says.**

**24 Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.**

# Facing Goliath

- **Goliath Is Common**
  - **Don't run away**
- **Your Weapons Are Uncommon**
  - **It's the power of the weapon that matters**
- **Unleash Your Weapons**
  - **Walking In the Spirit**
  - **Prayer**
  - **The Written Word of God**
  - **The Spoken Word of God**

**The End**