

GEUNINE FAITH – 4
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REVIEW:

- Is not imitating another's faith.
- Is not presumption.
- Is not baseless, but based on what God said (rhema or logos).
- Is a spiritual law involving the heart and mouth.
- Both groups of spies got what they believed and said.

CONTINUE: 1 SAMUEL 17:43-47

1. Logos based faith.

A. Faith based on the revealed will of God according to His promises, covenant and written Word.

- Rhema "Go wash in Jordan seven times" was Naaman's rhema. "Go wash in the pool of Siloam" was the blind man's rhema.

B. David's faith to face Goliath wasn't based on a rhema. He knew nothing about Goliath's challenge. He was bringing his brothers lunch. **1 SAMUEL 17:22-27**

- David's assessment of the situation was much different than any soldier in the Israeli Army.
- David didn't consider the size, sight or sound of Goliath. Challenges have sight, size and sound. **V4-11**
- David saw and heard someone who was defying the army of the living God. Someone who had no covenant to back him up, only a sword, spear and shield.

2. The logos spoken. 1 SAMUEL 17:32-37

A. Rhema means the spoken word. David meditated the Word day and night. His reaction was based on what he knew to be true about the will of God. "He will deliver me."

B. David speaks his faith and God responds.

1 SAMUEL 17:43-47 - He spoke with authority being confident God would do his part. David was confident and courageous because of his walk with God.

LESSONS TO LEARN

1. We must be prepared ahead of time.

A. David didn't run home to get his bible.

2. Our view of the challenge matters.

A. David was not intimidated by the size, sight or sound of the challenge as the others were.

3. We must know our covenant rights.

A. David knew his covenant with God. **PSALMS 89:34-37**

4. We must speak our faith.

A. David said what he believed from a faith-filled heart.

5. To rely on God is more important than physical training.

A. David said the Lord would deliver Goliath into his hand.

6. We must know the authority of Jesus' Name.

A. David faced Goliath "in the Name of the Lord of Hosts."

7. Our God is greater than any enemy we face.

A. David killed a lion, bear and a giant.

B. Our God wants to fight our battles also.

8. Just be ourselves.

A. David used a sling, not Saul's armor.

B. God will use the gifts and talents we possess to accomplish His purposes.