

CONFESSING OUR FAITH – 4

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REVIEW:

Without faith, all Jesus died for profits no one. Faith is precious because it enables us to receive the benefits of His sacrifice. Jesus taught faith involves one's heart and mouth. **NUM. 14:28 HCSB** Unbelief kept the Moses generation out of the Promised Land. Faith got the Joshua generation into the Promised Land. God gave them what He heard them say. **JOSHUA 6** records the seven truths that activated faith to cooperate with God.

CONTINUE: **JOSHUA 6:10 HCSB**

The battle plan included marching, blowing trumpets, the ark and silence. Not a word was to be spoken.

The Shout PS. 47:1-5

The shout is an expression of praise to God, and it's a war cry. He goes up in a shout. Add the trumpet, you declare God as the supreme ruler of the universe and king. The messianic view is Christ's ascension into heaven and being exalted above all powers.

- **PS. 68:1-5** Let God arise was a phrase used when the ark was moved, symbolizing His intervening in battle. The wicked are destroyed, and the righteous celebrate victory.

David's Confession of Faith

David spent time meditating God's Word. He knew the importance of meditation and words spoken in faith. **PS. 141:1-3** David knew the value of sanctified speech. He knew words can destroy or build up. He wrote this while being pursued by Saul.

- **1 SAM. 17:23-37** David's faith confessions were based on intimacy with God and personal experience, not on logic or reason.
- David had to listen to what his brother said, what Saul said, what Goliath said and decided to put what God said above every voice he heard.

- **1 SAM. 17:38-42** Saul saw him as a child who was never battle tested. Goliath saw him as good looking and someone he wanted to destroy. He made fun of him.

He Said, He Said

- **1 SAM. 17:43-44** “Goliath said” was based on logic, reason, and his stature and fighting experience.
- **1 SAM. 17:45-47** “David said” was based on his covenant with God. His faith was in God, not self. **PR. 3:5-6**

The Results

- **1 SAM. 17:48-51, 54** David prevailed over Goliath because of his belief, not his brawn.

CONCLUSION: What we believe and say matters. Our confession can make the difference between life and death, victory, and defeat. Our confession must be based on deep conviction of facts and not just saying what others tell us to say!