

The background of the image features two marble statues. On the left, a statue of David is shown from the chest up, looking down with a somber expression. On the right, a statue of Goliath is shown from the chest up, looking towards David with a determined and intense gaze. The statues are set against a dark, textured background.

THE RISE AND FALL OF
DAVID

DAVID BATTLES GOLIATH

1 SAMUEL 17:1-51

I SAMUEL 17:3 ^{ESV}

And the **Philistines** stood on the mountain on the one side, and **Israel** stood on the mountain on the other side, with a valley between them.

I SAMUEL 17:4 ^{ESV}

And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span.

I SAMUEL 17:8-10 ^{ESV}

He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, “Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me.⁹ If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants. But if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us.”¹⁰ And the Philistine said, “**I defy the ranks of Israel this day.** Give me a man, that we may fight together.”

1 SAMUEL 9:2b ^{ESV}

From his shoulders upward he [Saul] was taller than any of the people.

1 SAMUEL 16:7 ^{ESV}

But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.”

1 SAMUEL 17:4 ^{ESV}

And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span.

1 SAMUEL 13:19 ^{ESV}

Now there was **no blacksmith** to be found throughout all the land of Israel, for the Philistines said, “Lest the Hebrews make themselves swords or spears.”

1 SAMUEL 17:5-7 ^{ESV}

He had a helmet of **bronze** on his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail, and the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of **bronze**. ⁶ And he had **bronze** armor on his legs, and a javelin of **bronze** slung between his shoulders. ⁷ The shaft of his spear was like a weaver’s beam, and his spear’s head weighed six hundred shekels of **iron**. And his shield-bearer went before him.

1 SAMUEL 8:19-20 ^{ESV}

But the people refused to obey the voice of Samuel. And they said, “No! But there shall be a king over us, ²⁰ that we also may be like all the nations, and that **our king may judge us and go out before us and fight our battles.**”

1 SAMUEL 17:11 ^{ESV}

When **Saul** and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they **were dismayed and greatly afraid.**

I SAMUEL 8:7 ^{ESV}

And the LORD said to Samuel, “Obey the voice of the people in all that they say to you, for they have not rejected you, but **they have rejected me from being king over them.**”

1 SAMUEL 17:21-24 ^{ESV}

And Israel and the Philistines drew up for battle, army against army. ²² And David left the things in charge of the keeper of the baggage and ran to the ranks and went and greeted his brothers. ²³ As he talked with them, behold, the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, came up out of the ranks of the Philistines and spoke the same words as before. **And David heard him.** ²⁴ **All the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled from him and were much afraid.**

1 SAMUEL 17:26 ^{ESV}

And David said to the men who stood by him, “What shall be done for the man who kills this Philistine and takes away the reproach from Israel? **For who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?**”

1 SAMUEL 17:31-33 ^{ESV}

When the words that David spoke were heard, they repeated them before Saul, and he sent for him. ³² And David said to Saul, “**Let no man’s heart fail because of him. Your servant will go and fight with this Philistine.**” ³³ And Saul said to David, “You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him, for you are but a youth, and he has been a man of war from his youth.”

1 SAMUEL 17:37 ^{ESV}

And David said, “**The LORD who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine.**” And Saul said to David, “Go, and the LORD be with you!”

1 SAMUEL 17:38-39 ^{ESV}

Then Saul clothed David with his armor. He put a helmet of bronze on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail, ³⁹ and David strapped his sword over his armor. And he tried in vain to go, for he had not tested them. Then David said to Saul, "I cannot go with these, for I have not tested them." So David put them off.

1 SAMUEL 17:40 ^{ESV}

Then he took his staff in his hand and chose five smooth stones from the brook and put them in his shepherd's pouch. His sling was in his hand, and he approached the Philistine.

1 SAMUEL 17:41-43 ^{ESV}

And the Philistine moved forward and came near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. ⁴² And when the Philistine looked and saw David, he despised him, for he was but a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. ⁴³ And the Philistine said to David, “Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?” **And the Philistine cursed David by his gods.**

1 SAMUEL 17:45 ^{ESV}

Then David said to the Philistine, “You come to me with a sword and with a spear and with a javelin, but **I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.**

1 SAMUEL 17:46-47 ^{ESV}

This day **the LORD will deliver you into my hand**, and I will strike you down and cut off your head. And I will give the dead bodies of the host of the Philistines this day to the birds of the air and to the wild beasts of the earth, that **all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel,** ⁴⁷ and that all this assembly may know that the LORD saves not with sword and spear. **For the battle is the LORD's,** and he will give you into our hand.”

1 SAMUEL 17:49-51 ^{ESV}

And David put his hand in his bag and took out a stone and slung it and struck the Philistine on his forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the ground. ⁵⁰ So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and struck the Philistine and killed him. There was no sword in the hand of David. ⁵¹ Then David ran and stood over the Philistine and took his sword and drew it out of its sheath and killed him and cut off his head with it. When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled.

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