

Step Out in Faith

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1 Samuel 17

²³As he was talking with them, Goliath, the Philistine champion from Gath, stepped out from his lines and shouted his usual defiance, and David heard it. ²⁴When the Israelites saw the man, they all ran from him in great fear.

³²David said to Saul, "Let no one lose heart on account of this Philistine; your servant will go and fight him."

1. Pay attention to what's going on.

³⁷"The LORD who delivered me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine." Saul said to David, "Go, and the LORD be with you."

2. Turn your thoughts toward God.

⁴⁰Then he took his staff in his hand, chose five smooth stones from the stream, put them in the pouch of his shepherd's bag and, with his sling in his hand, approached the Philistine.

3. Step forward in faith.

⁵⁷As soon as David returned from killing the Philistine, Abner took him and brought him before Saul, with David still holding the Philistine's head. ⁵⁸"Whose son are you, young man?" Saul asked him. David said, "I am the son of your servant Jesse of Bethlehem."

4. Watch as God uses you.