

LESSONS FROM A GIANT SLAYER

(II Samuel 21:15-17)

- Introduction:
1. This lesson centers around an obscure battle between David and a giant name Ishbi-benob.
 2. Let us notice some of the valuable lessons we can learn from this account.

I. Satan Is Not Impressed With Our Reputation

- A. (I Samuel 17:43-46) David had a reputation as a mighty warrior.
- B. (I Corinthians 10:12).
- C. One cannot rely upon past accomplishments to get him through present troubles.
- D. (Job 1:8-12).
- E. (Luke 4).
- F. There is also a degree of vulnerability in our strength.
 1. (Numbers 12:3; 20:10-11).
 2. (Matthew 26:35,51; 26:69-70).

II. Satan Does Not Give Up After Just One Defeat

- A. There are times when we will utterly defeat Satan, but he will return.
- B. (II Samuel 16:5-11; 19:18-23; I Kings 2:8-9).
- C. We all have our giants to kill throughout life.
- D. (Ephesians 6:11).
- E. Note that he tempted Jesus three times (Luke 4).

III. We All Need Help At Times

- A. (II Samuel 21:17).
- B. None of us are self sufficient.
- C. Do you suppose this is one reason we have a corporate worship service that we are not to forsake (Hebrews 10:24-25)?
- D. (Galatians 6:2).
- E. David was fortunate to have a friend there to help him.

IV. Our Roles Of Service Sometimes Change

- A. David was no longer the great warrior that he once was.
- B. But David still was a tremendous value to Israel.
- C. (I Corinthians 12:14-18).

- Conclusion:
1. We all have our giants to kill.
 2. Hopefully, we will enlist in the Lord's army, put on our armor, and join in the victory.