



After God's Heart

The Life of David



The In-Between

- ❖ David was chosen by God
- ❖ David was called into Saul's service
- ❖ Philistine giant, Goliath enters the picture
- ❖ David can't believe nobody will face Goliath

Punchline

**Courage is standing where God stands
against what's against God**

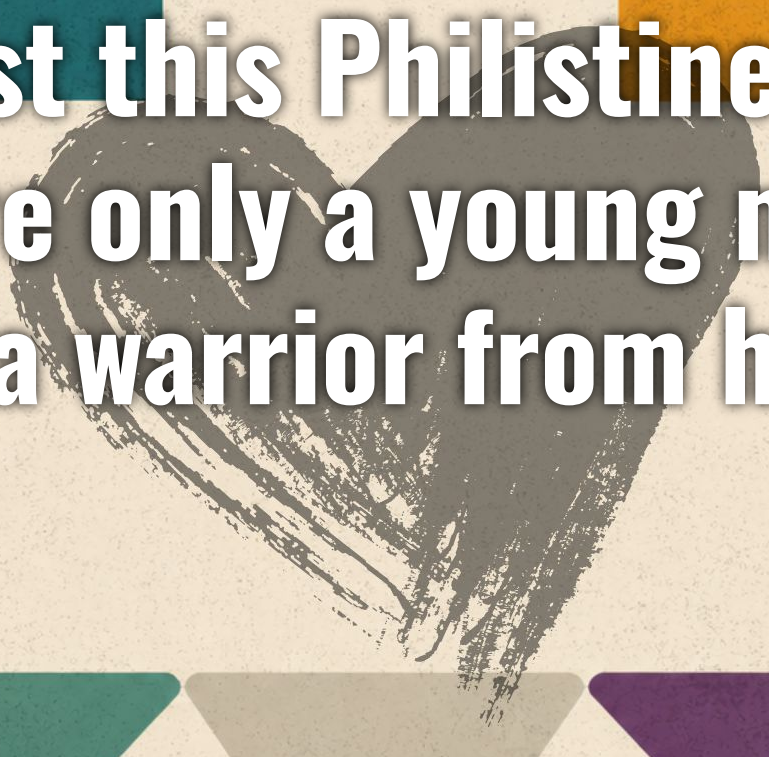
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David said to Saul, “Let no one lose heart on account of this Philistine; your servant will go and fight him.”



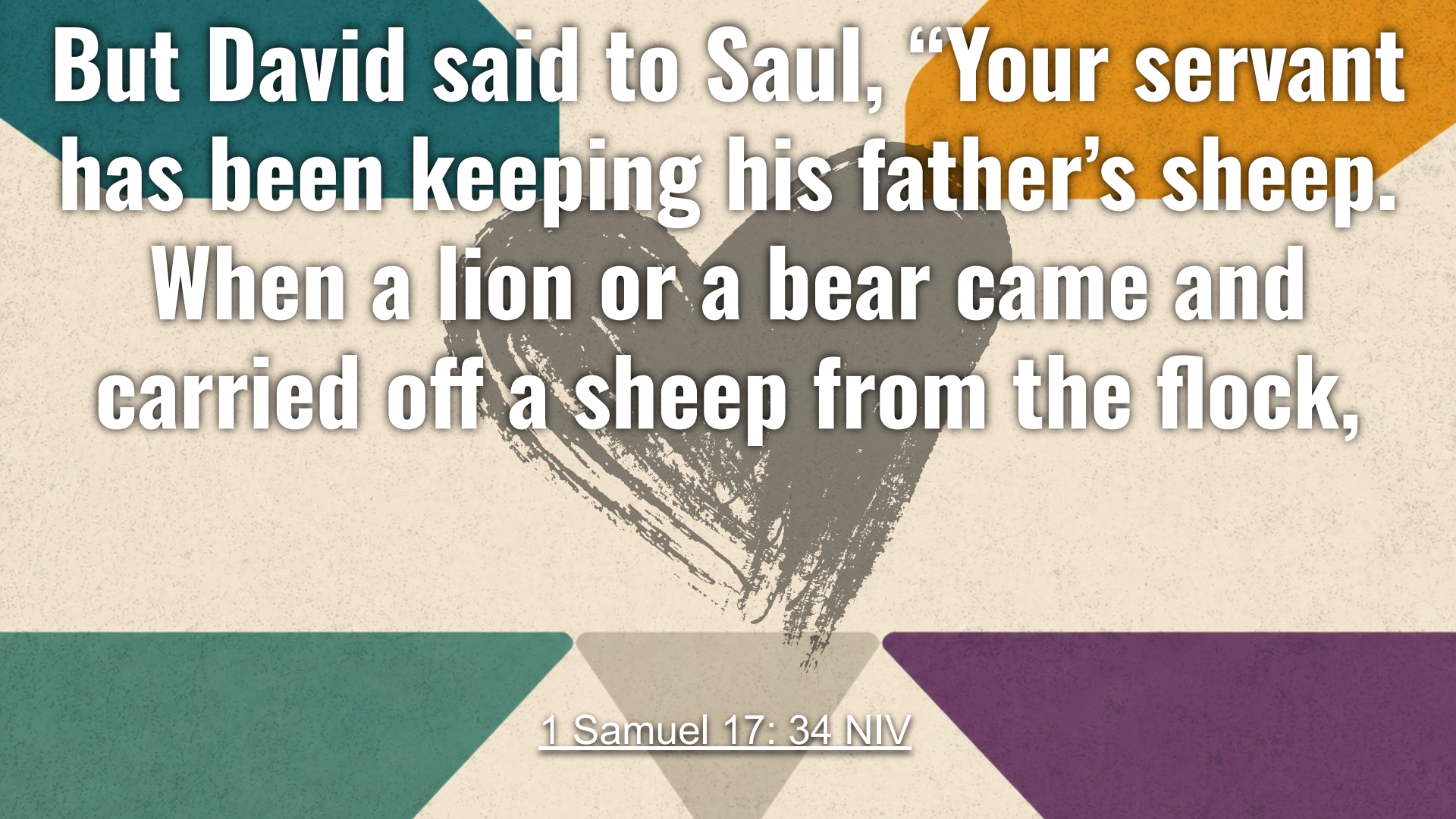
1 Samuel 17: 32 NIV

Saul replied, “You are not able to go out against this Philistine and fight him; you are only a young man, and he has been a warrior from his youth.”



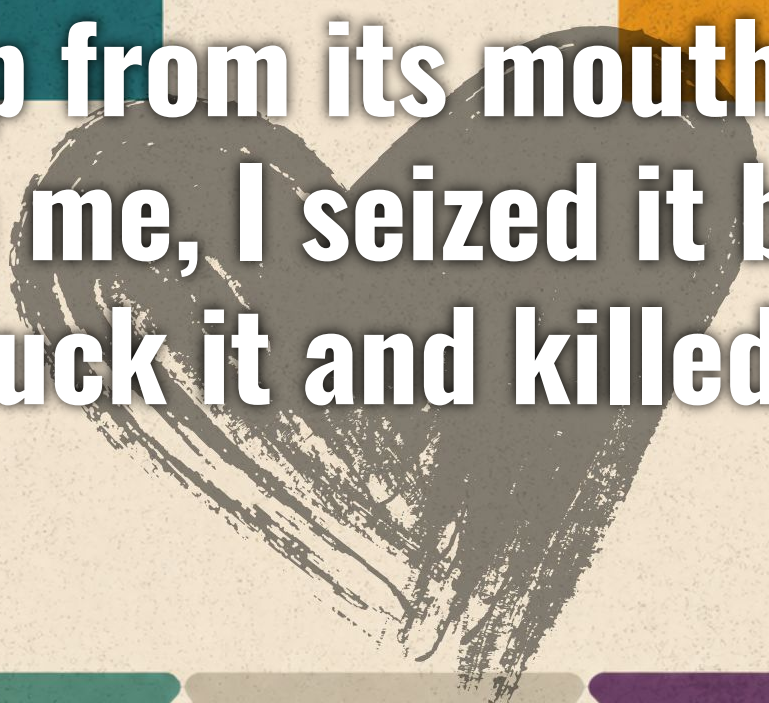
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**But David said to Saul, “Your servant
has been keeping his father’s sheep.
When a lion or a bear came and
carried off a sheep from the flock,**

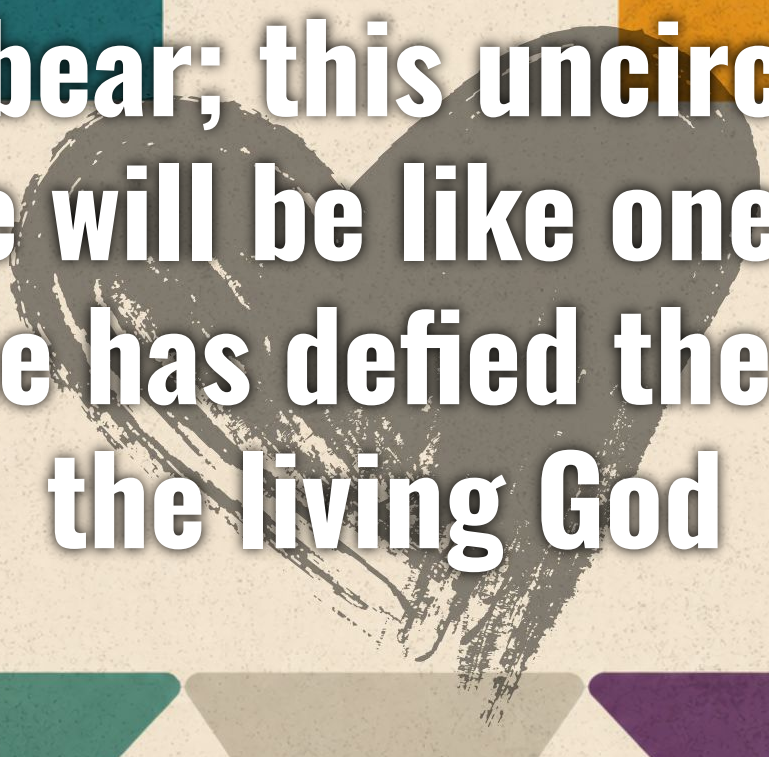


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**I went after it, struck it and rescued
the sheep from its mouth. When it
turned on me, I seized it by its hair,
struck it and killed it.**

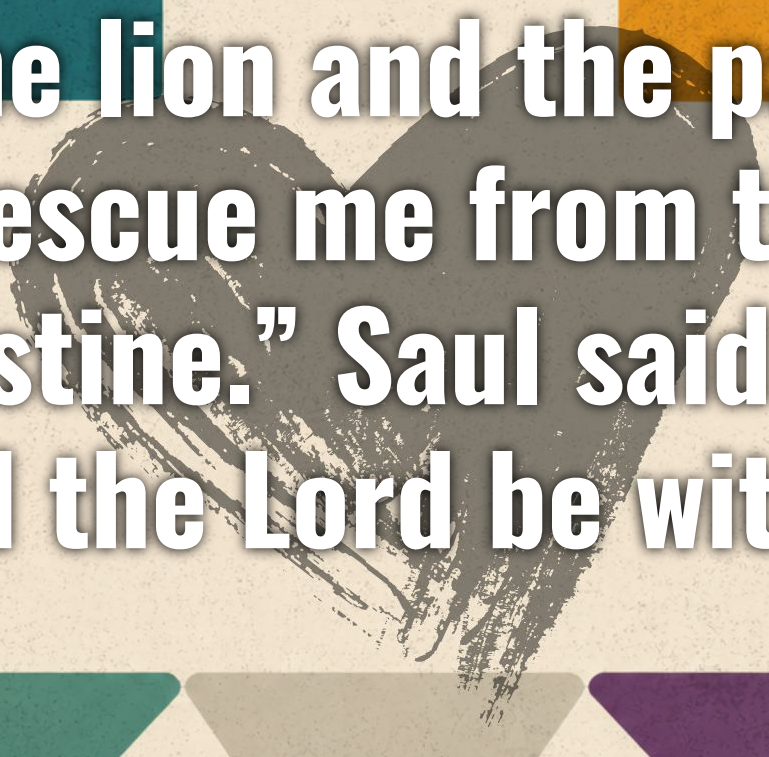


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**Your servant has killed both the lion
and the bear; this uncircumcised
Philistine will be like one of them,
because he has defied the armies of
the living God**

1 Samuel 17: 36 NIV

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**The Lord who rescued me from the
paw of the lion and the paw of the
bear will rescue me from the hand of
this Philistine.” Saul said to David,
“go and the Lord be with you,”**

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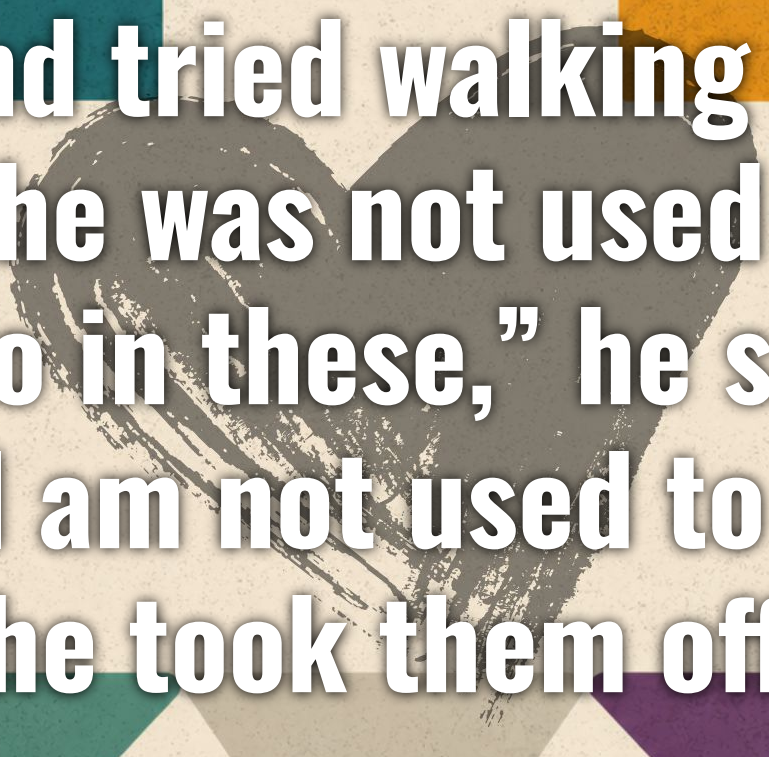
David Makes His Case

- ❖ **Volunteers to fight Goliath**
 - **He has fought off lions and bears while tending sheep**
- ❖ **He does this all with the courage of God**

Then Saul dressed David in his own tunic. He put a coat of armor on him and a bronze helmet on his head.



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David fastened on his sword over the tunic and tried walking around, because he was not used to them. “I cannot go in these,” he said to Saul, “because I am not used to them.” So he took them off

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**Then 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.**

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David Picks His Armor

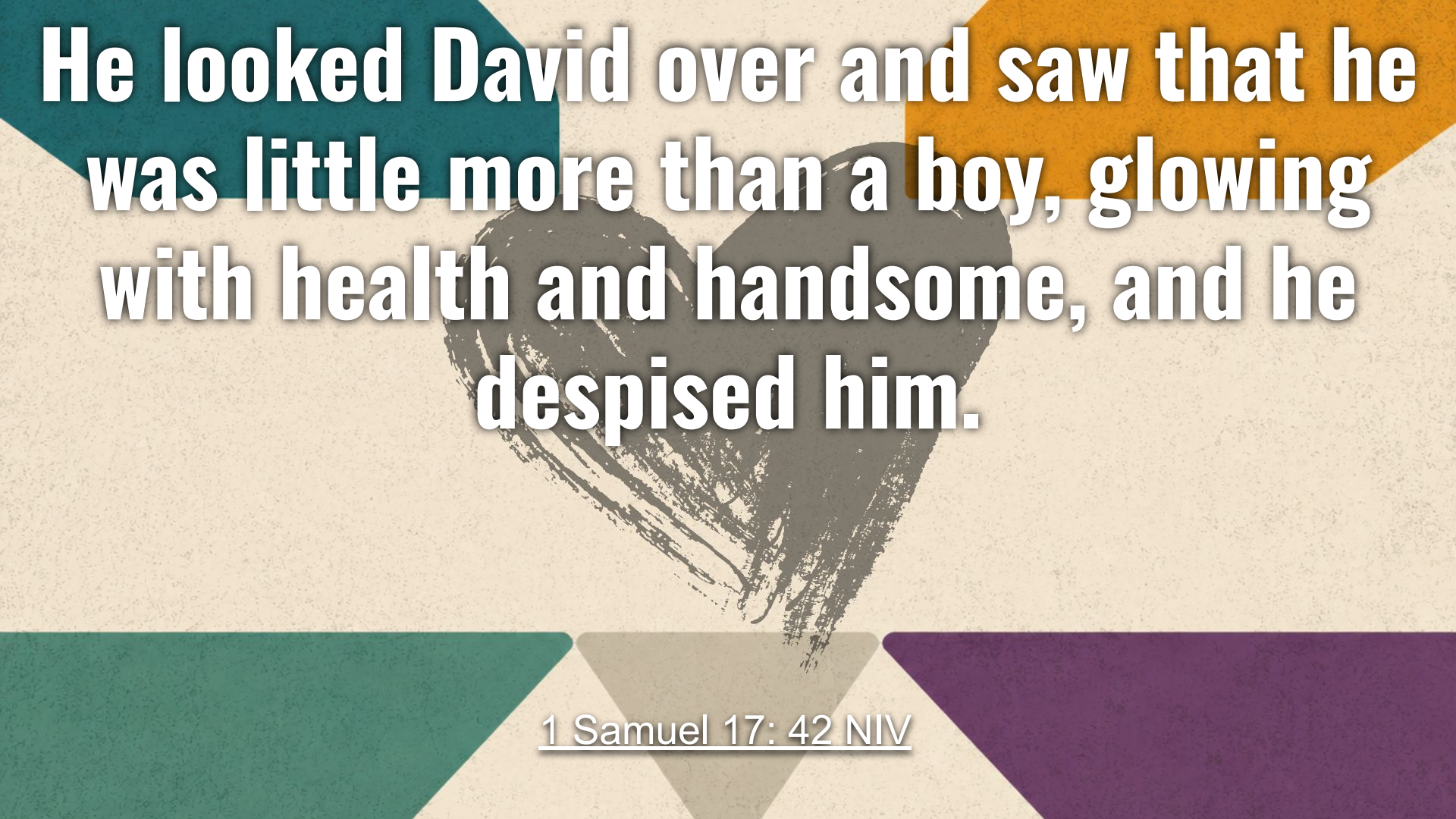
- ❖ Saul tries to outfit David with his armor
- ❖ David refuses
- ❖ David only wants his sling and his stones

Meanwhile, the Philistine, with his shield bearer in front of him, kept coming closer to David.



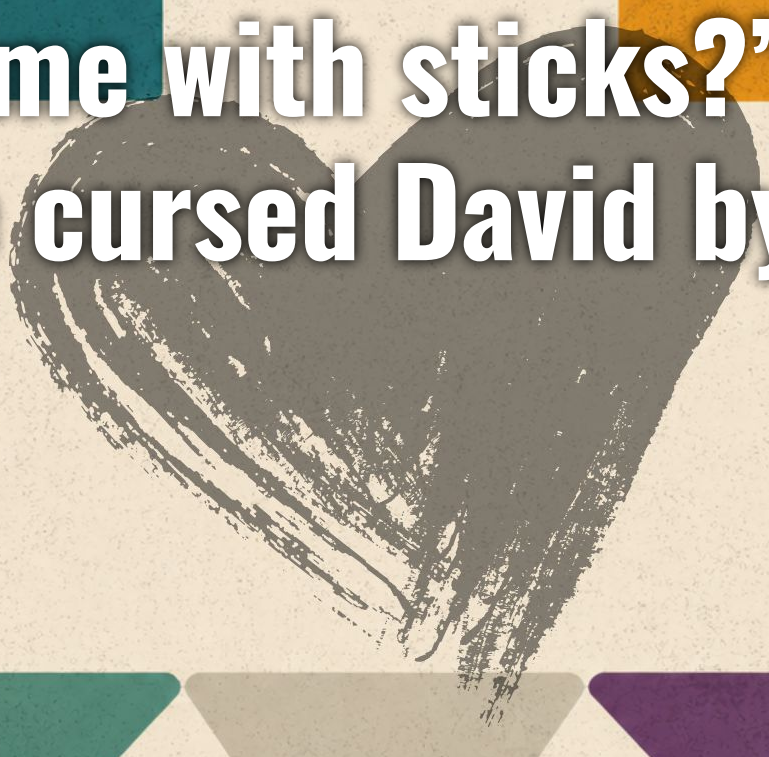
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He looked David over and saw that he was little more than a boy, glowing with health and handsome, and he despised him.



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**He said to David, “Am I a dog, that you
come at me with sticks?” And the
Philistine cursed David by his gods**

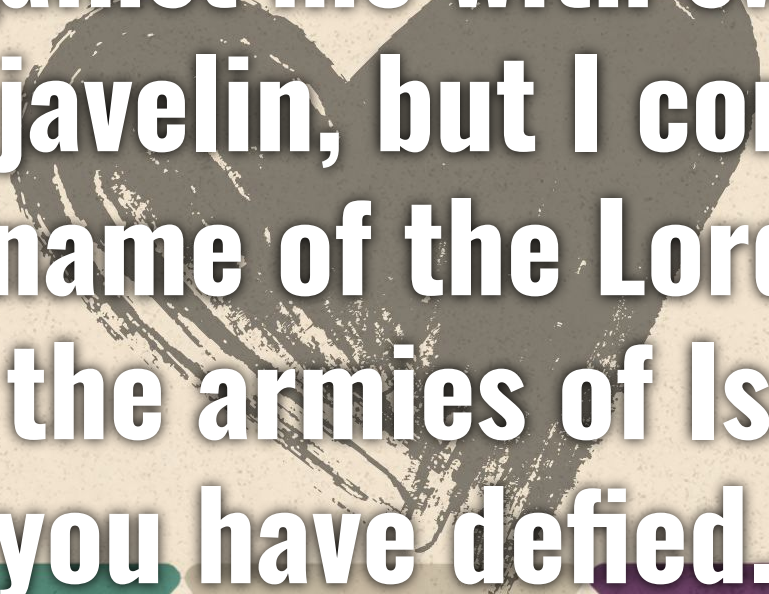


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**“Come here,” he said, “and I’ll give
your flesh to the birds and the wild
animals!”**



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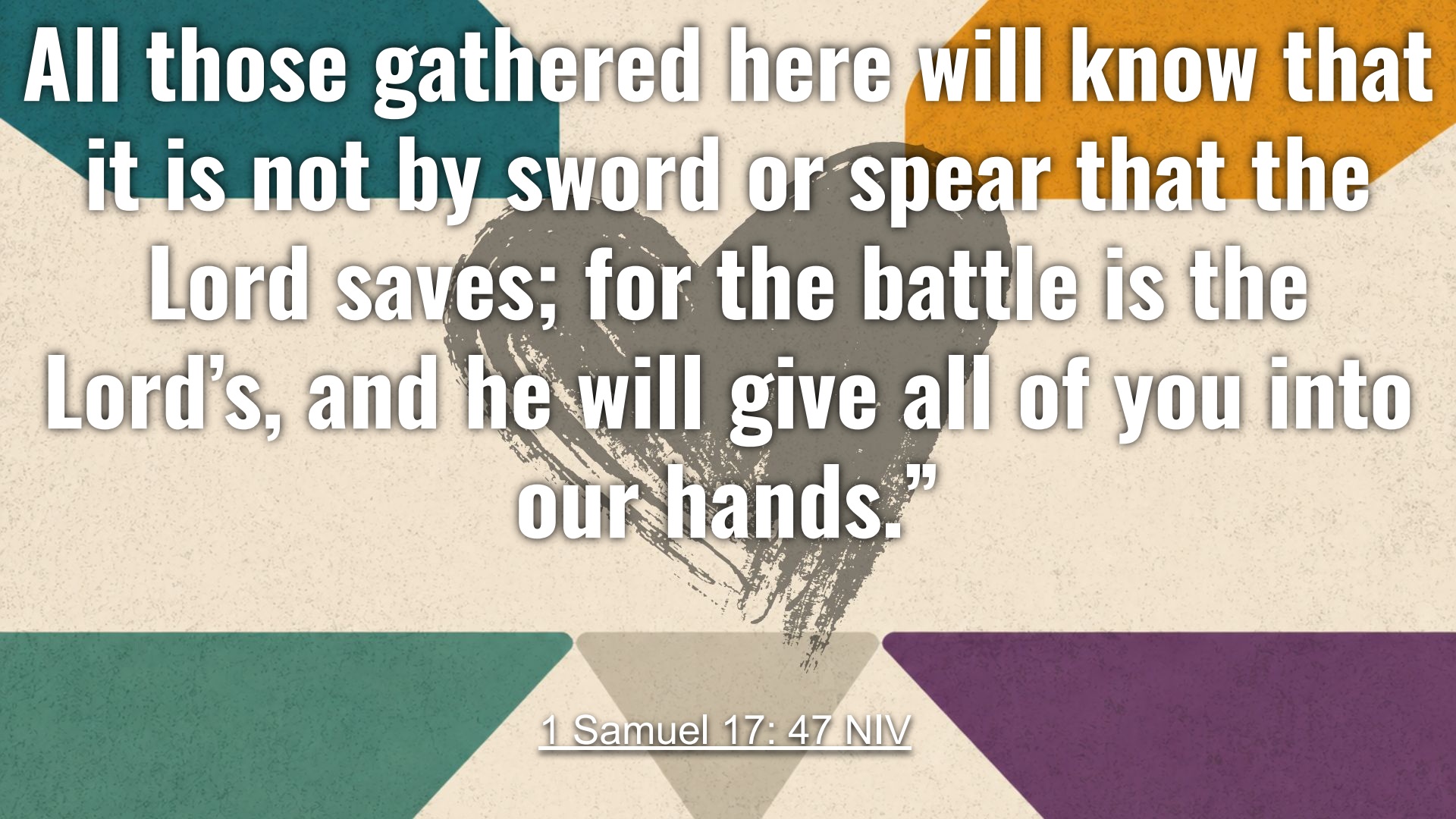


David said to the Philistine, “You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the Lord Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.

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This day the Lord will deliver you into my hands, and I'll strike you down and cut off your head. This very day I will give the carcasses of the Philistine army to the birds and the wild animals, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel

1 Samuel 17: 46 NIV



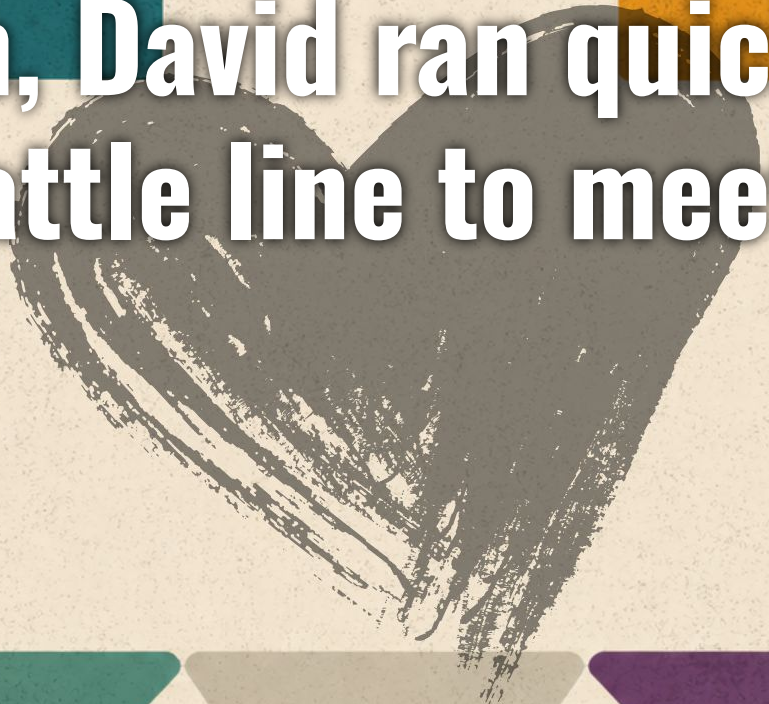
**All those gathered here will know that
it is not by sword or spear that the
Lord saves; for the battle is the
Lord's, and he will give all of you into
our hands."**

1 Samuel 17: 47 NIV

David Stands With Courage

- ❖ Goliath mocks David
- ❖ David says “I come at you with name of the Lord”
- ❖ God’s honor is at stake in this

**As the Philistine moved closer to
attack him, David ran quickly toward
the battle line to meet him.**

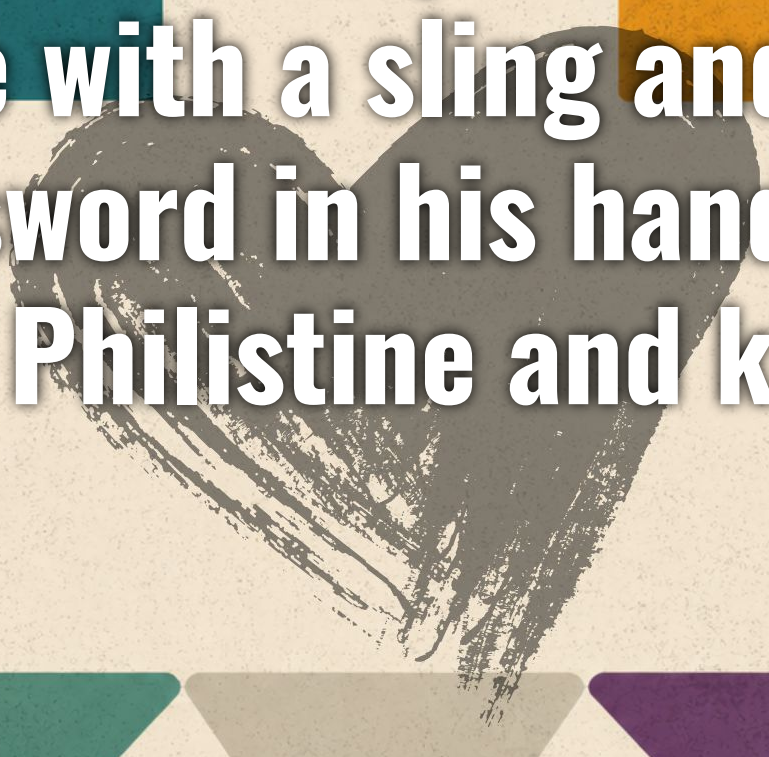


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Reaching into his bag and taking out a stone, he slung it and struck the Philistine on the forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell facedown on the ground.

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**So David triumphed over the
Philistine with a sling and a stone;
without a sword in his hand he struck
down the Philistine and killed him.**



1 Samuel 17: 50 NIV

David is Victorious

- ❖ David hits Goliath with a tiny stone
- ❖ David took down Goliath but he did it with the courage of God

What Goliath Represents

- ❖ Philistine soldier - Philistines were the biggest opponent of God's people
- ❖ Be aware of things that push you away or take you away from God

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Courage to See

- ❖ See with your heart not your eyes
- ❖ See what matters to God
 - Might not like what we see
 - Oppression/atrocities
 - Things we enjoy/give us stress relief



Courage to Stand

- ❖ Scope of what you're standing against
- ❖ Don't have to fix or solve the whole issue
- ❖ Stand even if it seems small or insignificant

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Courage to Stay

- ❖ To keep going
- ❖ To take on pushback
- ❖ To be consistent
- ❖ To eliminate excuses

The Courage of Jesus

- ❖ Jesus saw
 - People in need and the Pharisees
- ❖ Jesus stood
 - Healed and called out
- ❖ Jesus stayed
 - Knew He would suffer and still did it

Courage

- ❖ **Courage to see**
- ❖ **Courage to stand**
- ❖ **Courage to stay**