

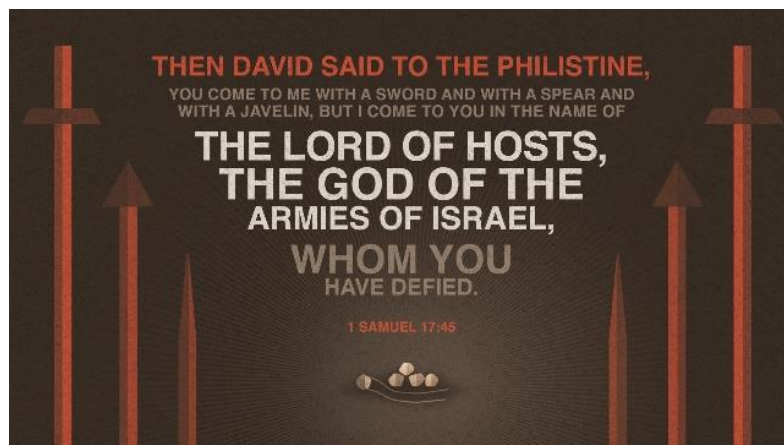
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**Faith Stands Up to Challenges**

1 Samuel 17:1-58

1 Samuel 17:45-46a <sup>45</sup> *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 \_\_\_\_\_ of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. <sup>46</sup> This day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down.”*

1. Compare young David’s and King Saul’s responses to imminent danger. King Saul trusted his own \_\_\_\_\_. Young David trusted God’s \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Look again to verse 46, who is \_\_\_\_\_ the work of deliverance?
3. Remember that important word of Luke 9:23 “\_\_\_\_\_”: ἀρνέομαι (arneomai). It is a challenge to deny ourselves and \_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord’s strength!
  - a. The victory David anticipates will demonstrate to all the world the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of Israel’s God.
  - b. How much more does the cross demonstrate God’s power and deliverance in an unexpected way!

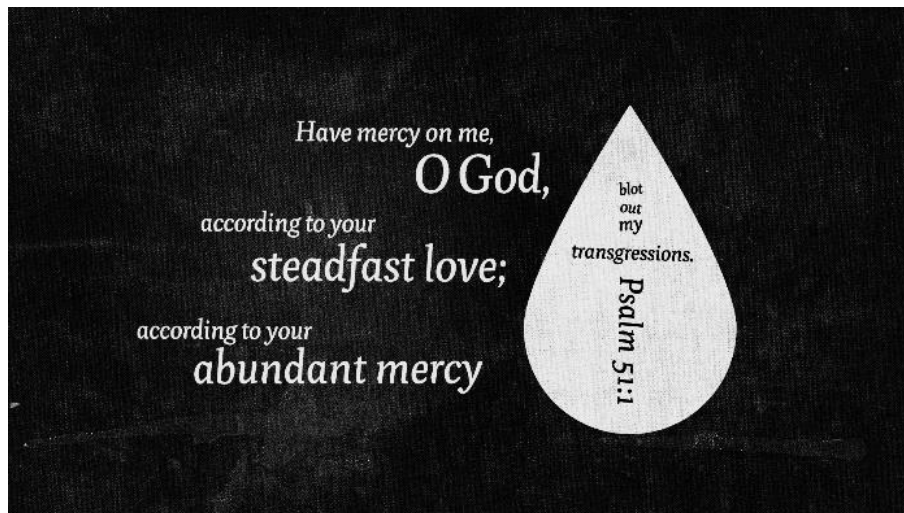


Mark 10:46-52

***47 And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" 48 And many rebuked him, telling him to be \_\_\_\_\_. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" 49 And Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take \_\_\_\_\_. Get up; he is calling you." – Mark 10:47-49***

4. To pray "have mercy" is a cry for \_\_\_\_\_ from God. May we be so bold and honest to ask God for help, no matter the cost to our earthly reputation!
5. As our D6 resource teaches this week:
  - i. God's people face challenges to their faith
  - ii. God is the source of our \_\_\_\_\_ and courage

***For by \_\_\_\_\_ you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God. – Ephesians 2:8***



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