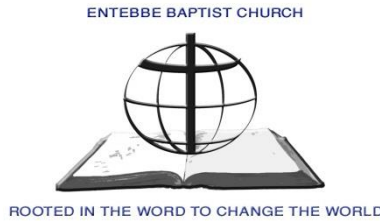


**Our Vision:** To be a growing, loving, caring and holistic church based on the word of God.



**Our Mission:** To be rooted in the Word to change the World

## **Bible Study Week 20-28 March 2021**

**Theme of the year:** "Victory only through Faith and Obedience"

**THEME:** Know your God take a step of faith

*Israel was tested for 40 days 1Samuel 17:16.* See also Israel was tested in the wilderness for 40 years. Jesus was tested for 40 days in the wilderness. Number 40 often represents a period of testing in the bible. ***Take a step of faith despite the discouragements around you.***

**PURPOSE:** How God equips us for victory when we trust Him

1. David and Goliath -[Read **1 Samuel 17**]- Victory over the philistines.
  - a. How do we identify with the Israelites in verses 8-11 when we face challenges in life?
    - i. Why are we sometimes intimidated by challenges of life? (*Where is our focus?*)
    - ii. How do we sometimes allow ourselves to be intimidated by challenges or issues of life [see also verse 24]?
  - b. How did David describe God in verse 26?
    - i. Why do you think David described God that way in verse 26?
    - ii. What does verses 33-34 teach us from this text?
    - iii. How did David handle discouragement so that He could take a step of faith? See verses 28-37
    - iv. In what ways do we act like Eliab and discourage others?
  - c. What makes David different from his brothers and the rest of the army of Israel? See. 1 Samuel 16:14; 1 Samuel 17:32
    - i. How do we relate verse 32 with or understanding of faith?
  - d. What is clearly highlighted in David's experience in verses 34-37?
  - e. How is David describing God in verse 45?
  - f. Do we also see our challenges as God's challenges? Otherwise, what is the best way to face challenges?
2. How does God equip us as believers for battle? See Ephesians 6:10-19, 1John 4:4
  - a. Why do you think God's Armor is the best?
  - b. What other things has God given us that help us to overcome and gain victory?
3. In what ways do we act like Saul by trying to give others our armor to fight our battles?

4. What key lessons of faith and victory have we learned from David challenging Goliath?

**Scripture Memorization:**

**1 Samuel 17:47**

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