



David: A study on his life.

Part 4 Continued: Bringing down your giant

Sunday 8th September 2013

Facing your giants in the power of God

Matthew 17:18-20 Read

The disciples were unable to heal the child. They saw the problem before them too big to handle. It caused them to doubt their faith. They didn't think they had enough.

Their words lack power.

"Jesus rebuked the devil"

Rebuked: Forbid

EG: How we choose our words: Loosely with no power or with authority.

Maybe it's the way we speak to our mountains that will make the difference.

Say to the mountain be removed!! **Say:** Command

"and nothing shall be impossible to you"

The power of words in action.

This evenings reading from Luke 7:1-9

The centurion was a man who understood the power of words. He lived his life by them. Giving orders to men under him and receiving orders from those above him, then acting on them. The Non Jew recognised the authority that Christ had and just simply asked him to speak the words. He recognised that Jesus had power and authority over sickness. Maybe we as Christians should have that same understanding. Jesus noted it and held it up as an example!!

Do we move our mountains, or are we moved by our mountains?

Example: Barged mountain. My last week

David and Goliath

In our Wednesday study on David, we have reached the point where a little shepherd boy volunteers to take on the giant Goliath who had been intimidating and putting fear into the nation of Israel.

David was one person standing alone who did not run with the rest. He stood and faced the problem

1 Sam 17:40 Read

David stood as he was. Nothing from anybody else. He stood in the weakness of the flesh. Have you ever faced a situation feeling totally ill equipped, feeling not able to stand let alone fight. That's the weakness of the flesh. Not able to do the job. Maybe at that point you have turned and ran away.

David stood with a staff and some stones. (stick and stones)

Even though we see that it was the stone (all that David had) would topple the giant, without the power of words that David used, nothing would have happened.

As David spoke these words, standing in the power of god, there was no doubt in David's heart of the outcome. The giant was coming down!!

Zech 4:6

1 Sam 17:48 Read

David ran towards, not ran away.

When we learn to face situations in the name of the Lord of Hosts, He will send us in a new direction. Perhaps you have been running away all your life, tonight you can trust God to stop, stand and may do as David did, run towards your Giant

Verse 49 Read

David hit the target, Bullseye!!

I want us to see tonight that with God we will always hit the target, yet without him, we will always miss

Romans 3:23 For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God
All have missed the mark that God has set for us.

EG: Darts Game

No matter what we do, however hard we try, we as human being doing things our way, will never hit the bullseye.

If we left things like that we would all give up and have no hope. But there is a hope. A hope in the gospel that God shows us a way that will never fail, always hit the target. A way to overcome and to bring down the giants in our life.

It's the way David found. " I come to you in the name of the Lord of Hosts"

Judges 20:15/16 **Read**

1Chron 12:2 **Read**

Tonight the message of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ tells us that we can become like the Benjamites, Sons/Daughters of the living God. To accept Christ as our Saviour.

Phil 4:13 **I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me**

Back to David:

God took the simple things that he had and used them to bring about a great victory. To bring down the giant. God took the stone and directed it towards the target. Christ will do the same for us.

Giant, I come to you in the name of Jesus, in his power, in his authority I command you to stop. I rebuke you, forbid you.

As we speak these words, God will take that seed of faith and your mountain that has stopped you all these years will be removed.

What I saw as a mountain at the beginning of the week, bit by bit God took it away. God gave me the power to stand and not fall. God gave me the power to run towards and not run away.