



**“Lessons from  
The Holy Land #6:  
Before The Battle**

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**1 Sam. 17:48 When the Philistine arose and came and drew near to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine.**

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**<sup>49</sup> And David put his hand in his bag and took out a stone and slung it and struck the Philistine on his forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the ground.**

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**50 So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and struck the Philistine and killed him. There was no sword in the hand of David.**

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**51 Then David ran and stood over the Philistine and took his sword and drew it out of its sheath and killed him and cut off his head with it. When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled.**

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**52 And the men of Israel and Judah rose with a shout and pursued the Philistines as far as Gath and the gates of Ekron, so that the wounded Philistines fell on the way from Shaaraim as far as Gath and Ekron.**

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**53 And the people of Israel came back from chasing the Philistines, and they plundered their camp.**

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**“Lessons from The Holy Land #6**

**1. The Condition  
of David’s Heart  
(*1 Samuel 16:6-7*)**

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**1 Sam. 16:6 When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the LORD's anointed is before him.”**

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**<sup>7</sup> But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.”**

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**2. The Commitment  
of David’s Daily  
Living for God  
(*1 Samuel 16:10-13*)**

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**1 Sam. 16:10 And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen these.”**



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**<sup>11</sup> Then Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but behold, he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and get him, for we will not sit down till he comes here.”**

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**12 And he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. And the LORD said, “Arise, anoint him, for this is he.”**

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**13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of the LORD rushed upon David from that day forward. And Samuel rose up and went to Ramah.**

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# **3. The Confirming of David to God’s Plan**

***(1 Samuel 16:19-23)***

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**19 Therefore Saul sent messengers to Jesse and said, “Send me David your son, who is with the sheep.”**

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**20 And Jesse took a donkey laden with bread and a skin of wine and a young goat and sent them by David his son to Saul.**

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# **“Lessons from The Holy Land #6**

**21 And David came to Saul and entered his service. And Saul loved him greatly, and he became his armor-bearer.**

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# **“Lessons from The Holy Land #6**

**22 And Saul sent to Jesse, saying, “Let David remain in my service, for he has found favor in my sight.”**

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# **“Lessons from The Holy Land #6**

**23 And whenever the harmful spirit from God was upon Saul, David took the lyre and played it with his hand. So Saul was refreshed and was well, and the harmful spirit departed from him.**

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**4. The Continuation  
of David’s  
Preparation for God  
(*1 Samuel 17:33-37*)**

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**1 Sam. 17:33 And Saul said to David, “You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him, for you are but a youth, and he has been a man of war from his youth.”**

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# **“Lessons from The Holy Land #6**

**34 But David said to Saul,  
“Your servant used to keep  
sheep for his father. And  
when there came a lion, or a  
bear, and took a lamb from  
the flock,**

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**35 I went after him and struck him and delivered it out of his mouth. And if he arose against me, I caught him by his beard and struck him and killed him.**

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**36 Your servant has struck down both lions and bears, and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, for he has defied the armies of the living God.”**

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**<sup>37</sup> And David said, “The LORD who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine.” And Saul said to David, “Go, and the LORD be with you!”**

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# **5. The Composure of David in the Battle**

***(1 Samuel 17:40-47)***

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**1 Sam. 17:40 Then he took his staff in his hand and chose five smooth stones from the brook and put them in his shepherd's pouch. His sling was in his hand, and he approached the Philistine.**

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**<sup>41</sup> And the Philistine moved forward and came near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him.**

# **“Lessons from The Holy Land #6**

**<sup>42</sup> And when the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was but a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance.**

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# **“Lessons from The Holy Land #6**

**<sup>43</sup> And the Philistine said to David, “Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?”**

**And the Philistine cursed David by his gods.**

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**44 The Philistine said to David, “Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the beasts of the field.”**

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**<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 name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.**

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# **“Lessons from The Holy Land #6**

**<sup>46</sup> This day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head. And I will give the dead bodies of the host of the Philistines this day to the birds of the air and to the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel,**

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**“Lessons from The Holy Land #6  
47 and that all this assembly  
may know that the LORD  
saves not with sword and  
spear. For the battle is  
the LORD's, and he will give  
you into our hand.”**

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For our battle is not  
against flesh and blood . . .  
but against  
spiritual forces of evil.

**EPHESIANS 6:12**