

# Goliath *Must* Fall

Winning the Battle Against Your Giants

## The Giant of Rejection

The **REJECTION** family – This family includes insecurity, low self-esteem, low self-worth, inferiority and even self-hate. The other side of the family is perfectionism, winning at all costs or having to be an overachiever.

### David's Rejection Moments..

**1 Samuel 17:28 (ESV)** Now Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spoke to the men. And Eliab's anger was kindled against David, and he said, "Why have you come down? And with whom have you left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know your presumption and the evil of your heart, for you have come down to see the battle."

- Rejected by his brother.

**1 Samuel 17:33 (ESV)** 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."

- Rejected by his king.

**1 Samuel 17:42-44 (ESV)** 42 And when the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was but a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. 43 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. 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."

- Rejected by the giant.

David pressed on through rejection. He aimed at fulfilling God's purposes for his life and arrived at the battle from a place of true acceptance.

### Four Principles to Develop Confidence in God's Acceptance

- 1) We **UNDERSTAND** the **MIRACLE** of our creation. (Psalm 139:13-14 ESV)
- 2) We **REVEL** in the **MYSTERY** that Jesus chose us. (Ephesians 1:4 ESV)

- 3) We **GRASP** how **COSTLY** it was for Jesus to **RESCUE** us. (Ephesians 1:7-8 ESV)
- 4) We **LIVE** from **ACCEPTANCE**, not for it. (Matthew 3:16-17 ESV)

Pursue the One who's pursuing you! (Psalm 8 ESV)

### Additional Notes..

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### scriptures that relate

Monday: 1 Samuel 16      Wednesday: Ephesians 1      Friday: Psalm 139  
Tuesday: 1 Samuel 17      Thursday: Ephesians 2      Saturday: Psalm 8

### small groups—talk it over

1. What comes to mind when you hear the word rejection?
2. What giant in the rejection family do you fight the most?
3. How did David keep his mind and heart right to battle Goliath?
4. What is your key to developing confidence in God's acceptance?

### pastor brian's prayer requests

**Monday:** Pray for a friend going through a tough time.

**Tuesday:** Pray for our church to see lost souls make a decision to follow Christ.

**Wednesday:** Pray for our Sunday School, Discipleship classes and Small Groups.

**Thursday:** Pray for me to deliver the message in our services with boldness and courage.

**Friday:** Pray for someone you know who could really use Jesus in his/her life.

**Saturday:** Pray for the opportunity to have a conversation with the person you prayed for on Fri.