

*“Am I a dog, that you come at me with sticks?” And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. <sup>44</sup>“Come here,” he said, “and I’ll give your flesh to the birds and the wild animals!”* I Samuel 17: 40-44 (NIV)

Lie # 3: God can’t/won’t \_\_\_\_\_ you.  
Goal: To make me feel alone.

**Truth – My \_\_\_\_\_ has \_\_\_\_\_ me.**

*No weapon forged against you will prevail, and you will refute every tongue that accuses you. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and this is their vindication from me,” declares the LORD.*  
Isaiah 54:17 (NIV)

*David said to the Philistine, “You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the LORD Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. <sup>46</sup> This day the LORD will deliver you into my hands, and I’ll strike you down and cut off your head. This very day I will give the carcasses of the Philistine army to the birds and the wild animals, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel. <sup>47</sup> All those gathered here will know that it is not by sword or spear that the LORD saves; for the battle is the LORD’s, and he will give all of you into our hands.”*

I Samuel 17:45-47 (NIV)

*Then it happened when the Philistine rose and came and drew near to meet David, that David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine.<sup>49</sup> And David put his hand into his bag and took from it a stone and slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead. And the stone sank into his forehead, so that he fell on his face to the ground. <sup>50</sup> Thus David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone, and he struck the Philistine and killed him; but there was no sword in David’s hand. <sup>52</sup> The men of Israel and Judah arose and shouted and pursued the Philistines as far as the valley, and to the gates of Ekron.*

I Samuel 17:48-50, 52 (NASB)

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## Walking Through The Valley

### Sermon Series – Message 2



### WHAT LIES IN THE VALLEY

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*You are my strength, I watch for you; you, God, are my fortress, <sup>10</sup> my God on whom I can rely. God will go before me and will let me gloat over those who slander me. <sup>16</sup> But I will sing of your strength, in the morning I will sing of your love; for you are my fortress, my refuge in times of trouble. <sup>17</sup> You are my strength, I sing praise to you; you, God are my fortress, my God on whom I can rely.* Psalm 59:9-10; 16-17 (NIV)

**There are opposing \_\_\_\_\_  
contending in every valley experience.**

*Goliath stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, “Why do you come out and line up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not the servants of Saul? Choose a man and have him come down to me. <sup>9</sup> If he is able to fight and kill me, we will become your subjects; but if I overcome him and kill him, you will become our subjects and serve us.” <sup>10</sup> Then the Philistine said, “This day I defy the armies of Israel! Give me a man and let us fight each other.” <sup>11</sup> On hearing the Philistine’s words, Saul and all the Israelites were dismayed and terrified.*

I Samuel 17:8-11 (NIV)

*Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous!  
Do not be terrified or dismayed (intimidated),  
for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.* Joshua 1:9 (AMP)



*Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed,  
for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you;  
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.* Isaiah 41:10 (NIV)

**A word \_\_\_\_\_, regardless if it is true or false, has incredible \_\_\_\_\_.**

*For forty days the Philistine came forward every morning and evening and took his stand. I Samuel 17:16 (NIV)*

*Early in the morning David left the flock in the care of a shepherd, loaded up and set out, as Jesse had directed. He reached the camp as the army was going out to its battle positions, shouting the war cry. <sup>21</sup> Israel and the Philistines were drawing up their lines facing each other. <sup>22</sup> David left his things with the keeper of supplies, ran to the battle lines and asked his brothers how they were. <sup>23</sup> As he was talking with them, Goliath, the Philistine champion from Gath, stepped out from his lines and shouted his usual defiance, and David heard it. <sup>24</sup> Whenever the Israelites saw the man, they all fled from him in great fear.*

*I Samuel 17:20-24 (NIV)*

*Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.*

*Matthew 7:24 (NIV)*

## **Lies David encountered in the valley:**

*He (the devil) was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies. John 8:44b (NIV)*

## **An attack on his \_\_\_\_\_.**

*When Eliab, David's oldest brother, heard him speaking with the men, he burned with anger at him and asked, "Why have you come down here? And with whom did you leave those few sheep in the wilderness? I know how conceited you are and how wicked your heart is; you came down only to watch the battle."*

*I Samuel 17:28 (NIV)*

*...He (God) also testified and said, 'I HAVE FOUND DAVID the son of Jesse, A MAN AFTER MY HEART, who will do all My will.'*

*Acts 13:22 b (NASB)*

Lie # 1: You are not \_\_\_\_\_.

Goal: To make me feel insignificant.

**Truth – My \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ me.**

*For the LORD your God is living among you. He is a mighty savior. He will take delight in you with gladness. With his love, he will calm all your fears. He will rejoice over you with joyful songs.*

*Zephaniah 3:17 (NLT)*

*"Now what have I done?" said David. "Can't I even speak?" <sup>30</sup> He then turned away to someone else and brought up the same matter, and the men answered him as before.<sup>31</sup> What David said was overheard and reported to Saul, and Saul sent for him.*

*I Samuel 17: 29-31 (NIV)*

## **An attack on his \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Saul replied, "You are not able to go out against this Philistine and fight him; you are only a young man, and he has been a warrior from his youth."*

*I Samuel 17:33 (NIV)*

Lie # 2: You are not \_\_\_\_\_.

Goal: To make me feel inadequate.

**Truth – My \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ me.**

*But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.*

*II Corinthians 12:9 (NIV)*

*But David said to Saul, ...<sup>36</sup> Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. <sup>37</sup> The LORD who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine."*

*I Samuel 17:34a, 36-37 (NIV)*

## **An attack on his \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Then he took his staff in his hand, chose five smooth stones from the stream, put them in the pouch of his shepherd's bag and, with his sling in his hand, approached the Philistine. <sup>41</sup> Meanwhile, the Philistine, with his shield bearer in front of him, kept coming closer to David. <sup>42</sup> He looked David over and saw that he was little more than a boy, glowing with health and handsome, and he despised him. <sup>43</sup> He said to David,*