



Community  
Bible Experience™

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1 Samuel 17  
CBE, pp. 402-404  
NIV, pp. 197-198

## A Long Shot?

The book of 1 Samuel could be called "a tale of two kings." We will see this comparison play out especially in the story of David & Goliath.

### Lessons:

1. David was convinced that the top priority in life is the honor and glory of God's name. (17:26, 36,45-47, pp. 403-404)
2. David would rather fight for God's honor than cower in a corner hoping the battle will just go away. (17:11, 31-37, p. 403)
3. David refused to be intimidated by the negative opinions of others. (16:1-13, 17:28, 33, 42-42, pp.402-403)
4. David recognized that he had been chosen and gifted by God to take action. (16:1-13, p. 401)
5. David would rather use the gifts God had given him than attempt to be someone else. (17:38-40, p. 403)
6. David recognized it was time for him to step up rather than waiting for someone else to do it. (17:32, p. 403)
7. David knew, with God's help, he was the favorite, not a long shot.

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**ONE THING:** Honor the Name!

*Miss something? Completed sermon notes are available online. Binders to organize your sermon notes are available at the upstairs Welcome Desk.*

## NEXT STEPS

- Memorize 1 Samuel 16:7.
- CBE reading of 1 Samuel.
- Live out Colossians 3:17.
- Other \_\_\_\_\_



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## WEEK 3: SAMUEL-KINGS

Hey, nice job. We're on the third week on our trek.

We're transitioning from the time of the judges into the story of the Israelite monarchy from beginning to end. As we read this royal history, see how it's set in the context of the nation's covenant relationship with God.

Be sure to create space for each day's reading. Resist the temptation to multitask. Instead, try to carve out time each day so you can devote your full attention to the text.

Happy reading!

Source: "Invitation to Samuel-Kings," p. 377.

## JOIN THE CONVERSATION

Think of your weekly discussion group as more of a book club than a Bible study. All you have to do is share your responses to five simple questions:

1. What's something you noticed **for the first time**?
2. What **questions** did you have?
3. Was there anything that **bothered** you?
4. What did you learn about **loving God**?
5. What did you learn about **loving others**?