



**The Power of Hunger (Volume 1)**  
**(The Power of David's Hunger Part 2)**

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**Series Summary:** Believing In the Basics Part 1

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**Statement:** You can't hear God if you can't hear the basics.

**I. Seven Examples of David's Hunger In Action**

1. **He Was Hungry Enough to Fight When Others Would Not**  
**1 Samuel 17:48** "–As the Philistine moved closer to attack him, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet him."
  - David ran to the giant, not from him.
  - 1 Samuel 17:34–36 – He fought the lion and the bear when no one was watching.
2. **He Was Hungry Enough to Overlook Family Criticism**
  - 1 Samuel 17:28–29 – Eliab mocked David's motives: "I know how conceited you are and how wicked your heart is..."
  - David's response: "Now what have I done? Can't I even speak?" → Hunger made him ignore the doubters.
3. **He Was Hungry Enough to Outlast Saul's Jealousy**
  - Saul pursued David out of jealousy for years (approx. 7–10 years).
  - 1 Samuel 18:9 "–From that time on Saul kept a close eye on David."
4. **He Was Hungry Enough to Worship Under Pressure**

- Psalm 63:1 “–You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you...”

**5. He Was Hungry Enough To Repent Quickly**

- 2 Samuel 12:13 – After Nathan confronted him about Bathsheba, David confessed: “I have sinned against the Lord.”
- Hunger for God kept him soft enough to repent.

**6. He Was Hungry Enough to Overcome Family Betrayal**

- 2 Samuel 15:13–14 – When Absalom tried to overthrow him, David fled instead of fighting.

**7. He Was Hungry Enough to Listen When Challenged**

- After Absalom’s rebellion, Joab **challenged** David to rise up again (2 Samuel 19:5–7).
- **5** Then Joab came into the house to the king, and said, “**Today you have disgraced all your servants who today have saved your life**, the lives of your sons and daughters, the lives of your wives and the lives of your concubines, **6** in that you love your enemies and hate your friends. ([2 Samuel 19:5–6](#), NKJV)

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