

Bible Study
1 Samuel 17

1. Where are the Philistines gathered for battle? Where do Saul and his army encamp to face their enemy? What is between the two armies?
2. Who is the Philistine champion? How tall is he? What does his armor look like? What does he ask the Israelites? What offer does he make? Why was there no willing Israelite to take him up on the challenge? Why would Saul and his men be so afraid?
3. How is Saul's age described? What three sons followed Saul to battle? Where does David go? How long does the Philistine giant taunt the Israelites? How does David wind up at the battle line? What does he take with him?
4. Who does David leave the provisions with when he arrives? Where does he go after he leaves it? Who comes out to taunt the Israelites while David is on the battle line? What happens when the Israelites see the giant? What does David say?
5. How does David's brother respond? What does he accuse David of? Why? How does David respond to this accusation?
6. How do David's words make it to Saul? What does David say to Saul when he is summoned? Why would Saul dismiss David's courage? How does David respond to the denial of his request? Who is David relying on for victory? Who has prepared him to fight the giant?
7. Saul has a change of heart. What does he equip David with? What does David say to this new outfit? Why? What does David take with him to fight the giant? Why does he take that many stones? Is he worried that he will not be successful?
8. What does the giant say when David comes out to battle? What is the significance of the threat to give David's flesh over to the birds of the air and beasts of the field? How does David respond to the giant's insults?
9. How does David defeat the giant? How does he cut off the giant's head? What does David do with the head? What does he do with the armor?
10. What question does Saul ask of Abner when David defeats the giant? Why would he not know?