

David Dealing with Discouragement

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Introduction

1. Text 1 Sam. 17
2. We all get discouraged, but how do we deal with it and where does discouragement come from. Elijah 1 Kings 19; Jeremiah, Jonah, Paul
3. In our text David was discouraged by others, but notice his attitude in all of this.
4. Let us learn that we can overcome discouragement and how to deal with it.

II Discussion

- A. Others discouraged him in this work of God.
 1. Eliab discouraged him. Vs. 28-29
 2. Emperor discouraged him. Vs. 33,39
 3. Enemy discouraged him. Vs. 42-44
 4. Are we letting others discourage us in our work of the Lord? Phil 4:13
- B. His courage in this event
 1. He trusted in God. Vs.37
 2. He did not delay. Vs 48
 3. He used what he knew. Vs. 49-50,39
 4. Do we trust in God and then do we get to work like this for the Lord. 1 Peter 5:8; James 4:6-10
- C. His encouragement to others in this event.
 1. Others were watching to see what he would do. Vs. 52
 2. Others followed him Vs. 52
 3. All overcame their enemy because of this. Vs52
 4. Others are watching us to see how we act!

III Conclusion

1. How do you deal with others discouraging you?
2. David did not let others discourage him in what was right!
3. Why not have the courage to do what God would have you to do, right now.

Sources: Matthew Henry commentary; polishing the pulpit 99