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Life Force– PART 2
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I Samuel 17

TWO APPROACHES

■ **AVOIDANCE**

*“As soon as the Israelite army saw him, they began to run away in fright.”
I Samuel 17:24 (NLT)*

■ **ATTACK**

*“David asked the soldiers standing nearby, ‘What will a man get for killing this Philistine and ending his defiance of Israel? Who is this pagan Philistine anyway, that he is allowed to defy the armies of the living God?’
I Samuel 17:26 (NLT)*

HOW TO BECOME A GIANT SLAYER

1. SURRENDER TO THE LORD.

*“So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of Lord came upon David in power...”
I Samuel 16:13 (NIV)*

“Do not get drunk with wine, which will only ruin you; instead, be filled with the Spirit.” Ephesians 5:18 (TEV)

“... ‘God sets himself against the proud, but he shows favor to the humble.’ So humble yourselves under the mighty power of God, and in His good time He will honor you.” I Peter 5:5b-6 (NLT)

2. STRENGTHENED BY PAST EXPERIENCES.

“The Lord who delivered me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine.” I Samuel 17:37 (NIV)

*“Look to the Lord and His strength; seek His face always. Remember the wonders He has done, and His miracles and the judgments He pronounced.”
I Chronicles 16:11-12 (NIV)*

3. SUSTAINED BY THE WORD OF GOD.

*“Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers. But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on His law he meditates day and night.”
Psalm 1:1-2 (NIV)*

“How can a young man stay pure? By reading your Word and following its rules...I have thought much about your words and stored them in my heart so that they would hold me back from sin.” Psalm 119:9, 11 (LB)

4. SUCCESSFUL BY FAITH.

“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. This day the Lord will hand you over to me...’ I Samuel 17:45-46a (NIV)

“What is faith? It is the confident assurance that what we hope for is going to happen. It is the evidence of things we cannot yet see... So, you see, it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to Him must believe that there is a God and that He rewards those who sincerely seek Him.” Hebrews 11:1, 6 (NLT)