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**War is brewing – Philistines camped at Shochoh, Judah and Saul in the valley of Elah**

**I. The Champion of Gath**

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| [**1 Samuel 17:1**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.1-7) Now the Philistines gathered together their armies to battle, and were gathered together at Shochoh, which *belongeth* to Judah, and pitched between Shochoh and Azekah, in Ephes-dammim. **1 Samuel 17:2** And Saul and the men of Israel were gathered together, and pitched by the valley of Elah, and set the battle in array against the Philistines. **1 Samuel 17:3** And the Philistines stood on a mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on a mountain on the other side: and *there was* a valley between them. **1 Samuel 17:4** And there went out a champion out of the camp of the Philistines, named Goliath, of Gath, whose height *was* six cubits and a span. **1 Samuel 17:5** And *he had* an helmet of brass upon his head, and he *was* armed with a coat of mail; and the weight of the coat *was* five thousand shekels of brass. **1 Samuel 17:6** And *he had* greaves of brass upon his legs, and a target of brass between his shoulders. **1 Samuel 17:7** And the staff of his spear *was* like a weaver's beam; and his spear's head *weighed* six hundred shekels of iron: and one bearing a shield went before him. |  |
| **The Words of the champion**  [**1 Samuel 17:8**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.8-11) And he stood and cried unto the armies of Israel, and said unto them, Why are ye come out to set *your* battle in array? *am* not I a Philistine, and ye servants to Saul? choose you a man for you, and let him come down to me.  **1 Samuel 17:9** If he be able to fight with me, and to kill me, then will we be your servants: but if I prevail against him, and kill him, then shall ye be our servants, and serve us. **1 Samuel 17:10** And the Philistine said, I defy the armies of Israel this day; give me a man, that we may fight together. **1 Samuel 17:11** When Saul and all Israel heard those words of the Philistine, they were dismayed, and greatly afraid. | |

**II.** **Four of Jesse’s sons go to Battle**

[**1 Samuel 17:12**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.12-14) Now David *was* the son of that Ephrathite of Beth-lehem-judah, whose name *was* Jesse; and he had eight sons: and the man went among men *for* an old man in the days of Saul.  
**1 Samuel 17:13** And the three eldest sons of Jesse went *and* followed Saul to the battle: and the names of his three sons that went to the battle *were* Eliab the firstborn, and next unto him Abinadab, and the third Shammah.  
**1 Samuel 17:14** And David *was* the youngest: and the three eldest followed Saul.

**David returns from Saul and fed Jesse’s sheep**  
[**1 Samuel 17:15**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.15-16) But David went and returned from Saul to feed his father's sheep at Beth-lehem.  
**1 Samuel 17:16** And the Philistine drew near morning and evening, and presented himself forty days.

**Jesse sends David with parched corn and cheese to give to his brothers**  
[**1 Samuel 17:17**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.17-22) And Jesse said unto David his son, Take now for thy brethren an ephah of this parched *corn*, and these ten loaves, and run to the camp to thy brethren;  
**1 Samuel 17:18** And carry these ten cheeses unto the captain of *their* thousand, and look how thy brethren fare, and take their pledge.  
**1 Samuel 17:19** Now Saul, and they, and all the men of Israel, *were* in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines.  
**1 Samuel 17:20** And David rose up early in the morning, and left the sheep with a keeper, and took, and went, as Jesse had commanded him; and he came to the trench, as the host was going forth to the fight, and shouted for the battle.  
**1 Samuel 17:21** For Israel and the Philistines had put the battle in array, army against army.

**1 Samuel 17:22** And David left his carriage in the hand of the keeper of the carriage, and ran into the army, and came and saluted his brethren.

**Goliath comes by with his same words – David hears him**  
[**1 Samuel 17:23**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.23) And as he talked with them, behold, there came up the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, out of the armies of the Philistines, and spake according to the same words: and David heard *them*.

**All the men of Israel around fled from Goliath and were afraid**[**1 Samuel 17:24**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.24-25) And all the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled from him, and were sore afraid.  
**1 Samuel 17:25** And the men of Israel said, Have ye seen this man that is come up? surely to defy Israel is he come up: and it shall be, *that* the man who killeth him, the king will enrich him with great riches, and will give him his daughter, and make his father's house free in Israel.

**David asks the next logical question**  
[**1 Samuel 17:26**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.26-28) And David spake to the men that stood by him, saying, What shall be done to the man that killeth this Philistine, and taketh away the reproach from Israel? for who *is* this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?  
**1 Samuel 17:27** And the people answered him after this manner, saying, So shall it be done to the man that killeth him.  
**1 Samuel 17:28** And Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spake unto the men; and Eliab's anger was kindled against David, and he said, Why camest thou down hither? and with whom hast thou left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know thy pride, and the naughtiness of thine heart; for thou art come down that thou mightest see the battle.

**Is there not a cause?**  
[**1 Samuel 17:29**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.29-30) And David said, What have I now done? *Is there* not a cause?  
**1 Samuel 17:30** And he turned from him toward another, and spake after the same manner: and the people answered him again after the former manner.

**Saul sends for David – Thy servant will go and fight this with this Philistine**  
[**1 Samuel 17:31**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.31-32) And when the words were heard which David spake, they rehearsed *them* before Saul: and he sent for him.  
**1 Samuel 17:32** And David said to Saul, Let no man's heart fail because of him; thy servant will go and fight with this Philistine.

**But thou art but a youth**  
[**1 Samuel 17:33**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.33) And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou *art but* a youth, and he a man of war from his youth.

**Thy servant slew both a lion and a bear – This uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them**  
[**1 Samuel 17:34**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.34-37) And David said unto Saul, Thy servant kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock:  
**1 Samuel 17:35** And I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered *it* out of his mouth: and when he arose against me, I caught *him* by his beard, and smote him, and slew him.  
**1 Samuel 17:36** Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them, seeing he hath defied the armies of the living God.  
**1 Samuel 17:37** David said moreover, The LORD that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said unto David, Go, and the LORD be with thee.

**Saul armed David with his armour, helmet, and coat of mail**  
[**1 Samuel 17:38**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.38) And Saul armed David with his armour, and he put an helmet of brass upon his head; also he armed him with a coat of mail.

**David takes off the armour – I have not proved it**  
[**1 Samuel 17:39**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.39) And David girded his sword upon his armour, and he assayed to go; for he had not proved *it*. And David said unto Saul, I cannot go with these; for I have not proved *them*. And David put them off him.

**David takes his sling and found five smooth stones**[**1 Samuel 17:40**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.40) And he took his staff in his hand, and chose him five smooth stones out of the brook, and put them in a shepherd's bag which he had, even in a scrip; and his sling *was* in his hand: and he drew near to the Philistine.

**Goliath drew near to David**  
[**1 Samuel 17:41**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.41-42) And the Philistine came on and drew near unto David; and the man that bare the shield *went* before him.  
**1 Samuel 17:42** And when the Philistine looked about, and saw David, he disdained him: for he was *but* a youth, and ruddy, and of a fair countenance.

***Am* I a dog, that thou comest to me with staves**  
[**1 Samuel 17:43**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.43) And the Philistine said unto David, *Am* I a dog, that thou comest to me with staves? And the Philistine cursed David by his gods.

**Goliath’s words to David**  
[**1 Samuel 17:44**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.44) And the Philistine said to David, Come to me, and I will give thy flesh unto the fowls of the air, and to the beasts of the field.

**Take note of David’s faith**  
[**1 Samuel 17:45**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.45-47) Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied.  
**1 Samuel 17:46** This day will the LORD deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee; and I will give the carcases of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel.  
**1 Samuel 17:47** And all this assembly shall know that the LORD saveth not with sword and spear: for the battle *is* the LORD'S, and he will give you into our hands.

**David runs toward the army to meet the Philistine**  
[**1 Samuel 17:48**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.48) And it came to pass, when the Philistine arose, and came and drew nigh to meet David, that David hasted, and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine.

**David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone**  
[**1 Samuel 17:49**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.49-50) And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang *it*, and smote the Philistine in his forehead, that the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth.  
**1 Samuel 17:50** So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him; but *there was* no sword in the hand of David.

**David cuts off the head of Goliath with Goliath’s own sword**  
[**1 Samuel 17:51**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.51) Therefore David ran, and stood upon the Philistine, and took his sword, and drew it out of the sheath thereof, and slew him, and cut off his head therewith. And when the Philistines saw their champion was dead, they fled.

**The men of Israel ran and pursued the Philistines**

[**1 Samuel 17:52**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.52) And the men of Israel and of Judah arose, and shouted, and pursued the Philistines, until thou come to the valley, and to the gates of Ekron. And the wounded of the Philistines fell down by the way to Shaaraim, even unto Gath, and unto Ekron.

**The men of Israel spoil the tents of the Philistines**  
[**1 Samuel 17:53**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.53) And the children of Israel returned from chasing after the Philistines, and they spoiled their tents.

**David brings the head of Goliath to Jerusalem**  
[**1 Samuel 17:54**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.54) And David took the head of the Philistine, and brought it to Jerusalem; but he put his armour in his tent.

**III. Whose son is this Youth?**  
[**1 Samuel 17:55**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.55-56) And when Saul saw David go forth against the Philistine, he said unto Abner, the captain of the host, Abner, whose son *is* this youth? And Abner said, *As* thy soul liveth, O king, I cannot tell.  
**1 Samuel 17:56** And the king said, Inquire thou whose son the stripling *is*.

**When David returned from Jerusalem, Abner takes him to Saul**  
[**1 Samuel 17:57**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.57) And as David returned from the slaughter of the Philistine, Abner took him, and brought him before Saul with the head of the Philistine in his hand.

**I am the son of thy servant, Jesse the Beth-lehemite**  
[**1 Samuel 17:58**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam17.58) And Saul said to him, Whose son *art* thou, *thou* young man? And David answered, *I am* the son of thy servant Jesse the Beth-lehemite.

**David and Jonathon become the best of friends**

[**1 Samuel 18:1**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam18.1-4) And it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking unto Saul, that the soul of Jonathan was knit with the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul.  
**1 Samuel 18:2** And Saul took him that day, and would let him go no more home to his father's house.  
**1 Samuel 18:3** Then Jonathan and David made a covenant, because he loved him as his own soul.  
**1 Samuel 18:4** And Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that *was* upon him, and gave it to David, and his garments, even to his sword, and to his bow, and to his girdle.

**Saul promotes David and he was accepted in the sight of all the people**  
[**1 Samuel 18:5**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam18.5) And David went out whithersoever Saul sent him, *and* behaved himself wisely: and Saul set him over the men of war, and he was accepted in the sight of all the people, and also in the sight of Saul's servants.

**IV.** **The Song of the Women**  
[**1 Samuel 18:6**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam18.6-7) And it came to pass as they came, when David was returned from the slaughter of the Philistine, that the women came out of all cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet king Saul, with tabrets, with joy, and with instruments of musick.  
**1 Samuel 18:7** And the women answered *one another* as they played, and said, Saul hath slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands.

**The song of the women made Saul very wroth**  
[**1 Samuel 18:8**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam18.8-11) And Saul was very wroth, and the saying displeased him; and he said, They have ascribed unto David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed *but* thousands: and *what* can he have more but the kingdom?

**V.** **Saul Tries to Kill David**  
**1 Samuel 18:9** And Saul eyed David from that day and forward.  
**1 Samuel 18:10** And it came to pass on the morrow, that the evil spirit from God came upon Saul, and he prophesied in the midst of the house: and David played with his hand, as at other times: and *there was* a javelin in Saul's hand.

**1 Samuel 18:11** And Saul cast the javelin; for he said, I will smite David even to the wall *with it*. And David avoided out of his presence twice.  
**Saul was afraid of David because the LORD was with him**

**1 Samuel 18:12** And Saul was afraid of David, because the LORD was with him, and was departed from Saul.  
**1 Samuel 18:13** Therefore Saul removed him from him, and made him his captain over a thousand; and he went out and came in before the people.  
**1 Samuel 18:14** And David behaved himself wisely in all his ways; and the LORD *was* with him.  
**1 Samuel 18:15** Wherefore when Saul saw that he behaved himself very wisely, he was afraid of him.  
**1 Samuel 18:16** But all Israel and Judah loved David, because he went out and came in before them.

**Saul “gives” his daughter, Merab, to wife**  
[**1 Samuel 18:17**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam18.8-17) And Saul said to David, Behold my elder daughter Merab, her will I give thee to wife: only be thou valiant for me, and fight the LORD'S battles. For Saul said, Let not mine hand be upon him, but let the hand of the Philistines be upon him.

**Who am I that I should be son-in-law to the king**[**1 Samuel 18:18**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam18.18-19) And David said unto Saul, Who *am* I? and what *is* my life, *or* my father's family in Israel, that I should be son in law to the king?  
**1 Samuel 18:19** But it came to pass at the time when Merab Saul's daughter should have been given to David, that she was given unto Adriel the Meholathite to wife.  
**VI.** **Saul gives David Michal to Wife**

[**1 Samuel 18:20**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam18.20-21) And Michal Saul's daughter loved David: and they told Saul, and the thing pleased him.

**1 Samuel 18:21** And Saul said, I will give him her, that she may be a snare to him, and that the hand of the Philistines may be against him. Wherefore Saul said to David, Thou shalt this day be my son in law in *the one of* the twain.

**Saul commanded his servants to talk to David telling him he is very popular with the king and servants**[**1 Samuel 18:22**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam18.22-24) And Saul commanded his servants, *saying*, Commune with David secretly, and say, Behold, the king hath delight in thee, and all his servants love thee: now therefore be the king's son in law.  
**1 Samuel 18:23** And Saul's servants spake those words in the ears of David. And David said, Seemeth it to you *a* light *thing* to be a king's son in law, seeing that I *am* a poor man, and lightly esteemed?  
**1 Samuel 18:24** And the servants of Saul told him, saying, On this manner spake David.

**Saul instructs his servants the only dowry that Saul wants is 100 Philistine foreskins**  
[**1 Samuel 18:25**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam18.25) And Saul said, Thus shall ye say to David, The king desireth not any dowry, but an hundred foreskins of the Philistines, to be avenged of the king's enemies. But Saul thought to make David fall by the hand of the Philistines.

**It pleased David to be the son-in-law to the king**[**1 Samuel 18:26**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam18.26-27) And when his servants told David these words, it pleased David well to be the king's son in law: and the days were not expired.  
**1 Samuel 18:27** Wherefore David arose and went, he and his men, and slew of the Philistines two hundred men; and David brought their foreskins, and they gave them in full tale to the king, that he might be the king's son in law. And Saul gave him Michal his daughter to wife.

**Saul knew that the LORD was with David and that Michal loved David**  
[**1 Samuel 18:28**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam18.28) And Saul saw and knew that the LORD *was* with David, and *that* Michal Saul's daughter loved him.

**Saul became even more afraid of David and became David’s enemy**  
[**1 Samuel 18:29**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam18.29) And Saul was yet the more afraid of David; and Saul became David's enemy continually.

**VII.** **David Behaves himself More Wisely than Saul’s Servants**

[**1 Samuel 18:30**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam18.30-19.1) Then the princes of the Philistines went forth: and it came to pass, after they went forth, *that* David behaved himself more wisely than all the servants of Saul; so that his name was much set by.

**1 Samuel 19:1** And Saul spake to Jonathan his son, and to all his servants, that they should kill David.

**Jonathon tells David that Saul desired to kill David**  
[**1 Samuel 19:2**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam19.2-3) But Jonathan Saul's son delighted much in David: and Jonathan told David, saying, Saul my father seeketh to kill thee: now therefore, I pray thee, take heed to thyself until the morning, and abide in a secret *place*, and hide thyself:  
**1 Samuel 19:3** And I will go out and stand beside my father in the field where thou *art*, and I will commune with my father of thee; and what I see, that I will tell thee.

**Jonathon speaks well of David to Saul**  
[**1 Samuel 19:4**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam19.4-5) And Jonathan spake good of David unto Saul his father, and said unto him, Let not the king sin against his servant, against David; because he hath not sinned against thee, and because his works *have been* to thee-ward very good:  
**1 Samuel 19:5** For he did put his life in his hand, and slew the Philistine, and the LORD wrought a great salvation for all Israel: thou sawest *it*, and didst rejoice: wherefore then wilt thou sin against innocent blood, to slay David without a cause?

**Saul speaks a lie to Jonathon** **– Last week a false repentance, this time false words to Jonathon**  
[**1 Samuel 19:6**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam19.6-7) And Saul hearkened unto the voice of Jonathan: and Saul sware, *As* the LORD liveth, he shall not be slain.  
**1 Samuel 19:7** And Jonathan called David, and Jonathan shewed him all those things. And Jonathan brought David to Saul, and he was in his presence, as in times past.

**War breaks out again**  
[**1 Samuel 19:8**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam19.8) And there was war again: and David went out, and fought with the Philistines, and slew them with a great slaughter; and they fled from him.

**The evil spirit was upon Saul as David played the harp – Saul tries to kill him again**  
[**1 Samuel 19:9**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam19.9-10) And the evil spirit from the LORD was upon Saul, as he sat in his house with his javelin in his hand: and David played with *his* hand.  
**1 Samuel 19:10** And Saul sought to smite David even to the wall with the javelin; but he slipped away out of Saul's presence, and he smote the javelin into the wall: and David fled, and escaped that night.

**Saul sends messengers to slay David – Michal helps David to escape**  
[**1 Samuel 19:11**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam19.11-16) Saul also sent messengers unto David's house, to watch him, and to slay him in the morning: and Michal David's wife told him, saying, If thou save not thy life to night, to morrow thou shalt be slain.  
**1 Samuel 19:12** So Michal let David down through a window: and he went, and fled, and escaped.  
**1 Samuel 19:13** And Michal took an image, and laid *it* in the bed, and put a pillow of goats' *hair* for his bolster, and covered *it* with a cloth.  
**1 Samuel 19:14** And when Saul sent messengers to take David, she said, He *is* sick.  
**1 Samuel 19:15** And Saul sent the messengers *again* to see David, saying, Bring him up to me in the bed, that I may slay him.  
**1 Samuel 19:16** And when the messengers were come in, behold, *there was* an image in the bed, with a pillow of goats' *hair* for his bolster.

**Saul speaks to Michal**  
[**1 Samuel 19:17**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam19.17) And Saul said unto Michal, Why hast thou deceived me so, and sent away mine enemy, that he is escaped? And Michal answered Saul, He said unto me, Let me go; why should I kill thee?

**VIII. David seeks out Samuel**  
[**1 Samuel 19:18**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam19.18-19) So David fled, and escaped, and came to Samuel to Ramah, and told him all that Saul had done to him. And he and Samuel went and dwelt in Naioth.  
**1 Samuel 19:19** And it was told Saul, saying, Behold, David *is* at Naioth in Ramah.

**Saul sends out messengers to kill David**  
[**1 Samuel 19:20**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam19.20) And Saul sent messengers to take David: and when they saw the company of the prophets prophesying, and Samuel standing *as* appointed over them, the Spirit of God was upon the messengers of Saul, and they also prophesied.

**Saul sends out the third group of messengers to kill David**  
[**1 Samuel 19:21**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam19.21-23) And when it was told Saul, he sent other messengers, and they prophesied likewise. And Saul sent messengers again the third time, and they prophesied also.  
**1 Samuel 19:22** Then went he also to Ramah, and came to a great well that *is* in Sechu: and he asked and said, Where *are* Samuel and David? And *one* said, Behold, *they be* at Naioth in Ramah.  
**1 Samuel 19:23** And he went thither to Naioth in Ramah: and the Spirit of God was upon him also, and he went on, and prophesied, until he came to Naioth in Ramah.

More prophesying – [I Samuel 10:10-12](swordsearcher://bible/1sam19.10-12)

[**1 Samuel 19:24**](swordsearcher://bible/1sam19.24) And he stripped off his clothes also, and prophesied before Samuel in like manner, and lay down naked all that day and all that night. Wherefore they say, *Is* Saul also among the prophets?

**XI. Living Under the Perfect Law of Liberty**

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|  | **The Book of James – Living under the Perfect Law of Liberty** | | | | |
| **Scope** | My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; **(**[**James 1:2**](swordsearcher://bible/james1.2)**)**  Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar? Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect? And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God. Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only. Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent *them* out another way? For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also. **(**[**James 2:21-26**](swordsearcher://bible/james2.21-26)**)** | | | | |
| **Referance** | **Chapter 1:1-5** | **Chapter 1:6-11** | **Chapter 1:12-27** | **Chapter 2** | **Chapters 3-5** |
| **Plan** | **Joy in Trials** | **Wisdom in Trials** | **Enduring Trials -**  **Life or Death** | **By Works is Faith Made Perfect** | **The Works of the Perfect Law of Liberty** |
| **Lifestyle** | Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls. But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. **(**[**James 1:21-22**](swordsearcher://bible/james1.21-22)**)** | | | | |
| **Vision** | Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh. **(**[**James 5:7-8**](swordsearcher://bible/james5.7-8)**)** | | | | |

**Tame the Tongue**

[**James 3:1**](swordsearcher://bible/james3.1-12) My brethren, be not many masters, knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation.  
**James 3:2** For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word, the same *is* a perfect man, *and* able also to bridle the whole body.

**James 3:3** Behold, we put bits in the horses' mouths, that they may obey us; and we turn about their whole body.  
**James 3:4** Behold also the ships, which though *they be* so great, and *are* driven of fierce winds, yet are they turned about with a very small helm, whithersoever the governor listeth.  
**James 3:5** Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth!  
**James 3:6** And the tongue *is* a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.  
**James 3:7** For every kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed, and hath been tamed of mankind:  
**James 3:8** But the tongue can no man tame; *it is* an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.  
**James 3:9** Therewith bless we God, even the Father; and therewith curse we men, which are made after the similitude of God.  
**James 3:10** Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be.  
**James 3:11** Doth a fountain send forth at the same place sweet *water* and bitter?  
**James 3:12** Can the fig tree, my brethren, bear olive berries? either a vine, figs? so *can* no fountain both yield salt water and fresh.

**Contrasting a Good Conversation (Lifestyle) with Wisdom from Above and bitter Envying and Strife**  
[**James 3:13**](swordsearcher://bible/james3.13-4.5) Who *is* a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom.  
**James 3:14** But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth.  
**James 3:15** This wisdom descendeth not from above, but *is* earthly, sensual, devilish.  
**James 3:16** For where envying and strife *is*, there *is* confusion and every evil work.  
**James 3:17** But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, *and* easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.  
**James 3:18** And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

**James 4:1** From whence *come* wars and fightings among you? *come they* not hence, *even* of your lusts that war in your members?  
**James 4:2** Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not.  
**James 4:3** Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume *it* upon your lusts.  
**James 4:4** Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.  
**James 4:5** Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy?

**The LORD gives out more grace to the Humble**  
[**James 4:6**](swordsearcher://bible/james4.6-5.10) But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.  
**James 4:7** Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.  
**James 4:8** Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse *your* hands, *ye* sinners; and purify *your* hearts, *ye* double minded.  
**James 4:9** Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and *your* joy to heaviness.  
**James 4:10** Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.  
**James 4:11** Speak not evil one of another, brethren. He that speaketh evil of *his* brother, and judgeth his brother, speaketh evil of the law, and judgeth the law: but if thou judge the law, thou art not a doer of the law, but a judge.  
**James 4:12** There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another?  
**James 4:13** Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain:  
**James 4:14** Whereas ye know not what *shall be* on the morrow. For what *is* your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.  
**James 4:15** For that ye *ought* to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that.  
**James 4:16** But now ye rejoice in your boastings: all such rejoicing is evil.  
**James 4:17** Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth *it* not, to him it is sin.

**James 5:1** Go to now, *ye* rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon *you*.  
**James 5:2** Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are motheaten.  
**James 5:3** Your gold and silver is cankered; and the rust of them shall be a witness against you, and shall eat your flesh as it were fire. Ye have heaped treasure together for the last days.  
**James 5:4** Behold, the hire of the labourers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud, crieth: and the cries of them which have reaped are entered into the ears of the Lord of sabaoth.  
**James 5:5** Ye have lived in pleasure on the earth, and been wanton; ye have nourished your hearts, as in a day of slaughter.  
**James 5:6** Ye have condemned *and* killed the just; *and* he doth not resist you.  
**James 5:7** Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.  
**James 5:8** Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.  
**James 5:9** Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the judge standeth before the door.  
**James 5:10** Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience.

**We Count Them Happy that Endure** **Trials**  
[**James 5:11**](swordsearcher://bible/james5.11-12) Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy.  
**James 5:12** But above all things, my brethren, swear not, neither by heaven, neither by the earth, neither by any other oath: but let your yea be yea; and *your* nay, nay; lest ye fall into condemnation.

**Is any afflicted – Pray, Sing Psalms, Call for the Elders, Confess your faults, Pray for One Another  
James 5:13** Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms.  
**James 5:14** Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:  
**James 5:15** And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.  
**James 5:16** Confess *your* faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.  
**James 5:17** Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months.  
**James 5:18** And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.  
**James 5:19** Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him;  
**James 5:20** Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins.