

BE A BRINGER

“40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus....” John 1:40-42a

A bringer makes one touch each week by investing and inviting someone to Christ and church.

Name three people you will pray for their salvation this week:

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK

“Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you;....” I Samuel 12:23a

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

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PRaise

- Praise the Lord for Suke receiving a clean bill of health after his heart check-up.
- Praise God for unity and repentance shown in church discipline situations, especially Louie’s response.
- Praise God for the wisdom and discernment of the NIP elders in making difficult leadership decisions.
- Praise God for fruitful ministry opportunities, including the literacy work in New Hanover and upcoming classes.
- Praise God for His continued faithfulness, guidance, and provision during a season of uncertainty.

PRAY

- Pray for strength, wisdom, and endurance for the Madak Church leaders as they shepherd and disciple others.
- Pray for clear direction and vision for Sharon and her team as they seek God’s will for future ministry.
- Pray for safety in travel and wisdom as they develop and launch literacy programs.



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Study Date: 05/03/26

Choose Victory Over Defeat

I Samuel 17:29 captures a moment during a pivotal time in David’s life when he was preparing to face Goliath, the giant. David, a young shepherd, was confronted by his older brother, Eliab, who questioned his motives for being there. This moment speaks volumes about the challenges we can face when we want to step into new, daunting roles or situations. It reminds us of the doubt and negativity that can come from those closest to us.

In this verse, David’s response highlights a key lesson: questioning our purpose is vital. In life, we may find ourselves in situations where people misunderstand our intentions. This is especially true when we take a stand for something or someone important. David’s response shows that asking questions and seeking to understand our path is essential. He felt compelled to respond, underscoring that his presence had a significant purpose—fighting for the honor of his people and his God.

David’s question, “Is there not a cause?” resonates with us deeply, reminding us that sometimes, we are called to act for reasons that others may not understand. For David, this was about faith and honor; he believed he was chosen for this fight not for glory but for a greater purpose. Such a mindset invites reflection on our own lives, reminding us to look beyond immediate criticism or doubt.

What we learn from this verse is that asking questions can be empowering. David’s inquiry reminds us that it is okay to seek clarity in challenging situations. It shows that remaining inquisitive about our purpose can illuminate paths we may not have considered. We are encouraged to ask ourselves why we are pursuing certain goals and if our motivations align with our values and beliefs.

Resource: Christianitypath.com

KEY VERSE

I Samuel 17:29 (NKJV)

“And David said, ‘What have I done now? Is there not a cause?’”

Read I Samuel 1:1-51 Every Day

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: I Samuel 17:4, 29, 34; I Timothy 4:12

Introduction

1. What can we learn from the question David asks in I Samuel 17:29? What does it teach us about *knowing our purpose* before meeting a challenge?
2. What wisdom does paragraph 4 on page 1 convey to us about asking questions when faced with challenge? How can doing so *empower* us?

Tuesday: I Samuel 17:37, 45-46; Hebrews 11:32

Trust The Lord For The Victory

3. What does I Samuel 17:37 reveal to us about David’s relationship with God? He knows God has delivered him before. How has God delivered YOU?
4. What does David say to Goliath before their fight in I Samuel 17:45? What (or *Whom*) does David reveal as his *weapon*?

Wednesday: I Samuel 17:28; 31-33, 42-44, 48

Do Not Listen To Doubting Critics

5. Eliab was fiercely critical of David, accusing him of pridefulness. Have YOU ever faced such criticism? What was your reaction? (I Sam. 17:28)
6. In I Samuel 17:42-44 Goliath taunts David, essentially accusing him of being weak. What is David’s reaction according to I Samuel 17:48?

Thursday: I Samuel 17:40; II Timothy 2:21; Luke 14:28

Prepare For Battle

7. In I Samuel 17:40 we see David gathering things in his shepherd’s bag before facing Goliath. What do we learn here about being prepared?
8. What is II Timothy 2:21 trying to convey to us about being *spiritually* prepared for battle? How can we be “*sanctified and useful for the master?*”
9. Luke 14:28 tells us we must “*count the cost*” before “*building the tower.*” How does this relate to *physical preparedness* before entering a battle?

Friday: I Samuel 17:29, 49, 51; I Corinthians 10:31

Fulfill Your Purpose Which Is To Glorify God

10. I Samuel 17:49 and 51 show David claiming victory over Goliath. How did this victory fulfill his destiny and ultimately give glory to God?
11. What is the clear message being conveyed to us as believers in I Corinthians 10:31? What is our “*cause?*”
12. We are all constantly on the move and meeting challenges! Often trying to please others! How can we fit more of “*glorifying God?*” into our schedule?