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*All Scriptures and comments are based on the **New King James Version**, unless otherwise noted.*

1-24-2022 Cruelty with Words

King Saul’s army faced the Philistines,

And a champion went out from the camp of the Philistines, named Goliath, from Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span.

(1 Samuel 17:4)

Goliath’s height was 9 1/2 feet, and his armor weighed over 125 pounds! For over a month, he said,

“I defy the armies of Israel this day; give me a man, that we may fight together.” **(1 Samuel 17:10)**

David’s faith was bigger than his body, so:

[Goliath] disdained him; for he was only a youth, ruddy and good looking. So the Philistine said to David, ‘Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?’ And the Philistine cursed David by his gods.

(1 Samuel 17:42-43)

Words that either boast of one’s own self, or belittle someone else, are cruel. Like David, our faith can defeat any cruel Goliath, even on-line!

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1-25-2022 Bullies at the Cross

And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads and saying, ‘Aha! You who destroy the temple and build it in three days, save Yourself, and come down from the cross!’ Likewise the chief priests also, mocking among themselves with the scribes, said, ‘He saved others; Himself He cannot save.’ **(Mark 15:29-31)**

While Jesus was clearly weak and defenseless, people took their verbal shots at Him. The blasphemers hurled “fake news” at Him, for Jesus never said He would tear down and rebuild the Temple in Jerusalem in 3 days. The “chief priests” “mocking among themselves,” or boldly misrepresenting His doctrine of salvation in their

"private group!" They had to admit Jesus "saved others," but ignored why He could not save Himself. Someone had to die to give bullies like them a chance to do better!

[Christ has] loved us and given Himself for us. (**Ephesians 5:1**)

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1-26-2022 Humility In Victory

It is all too easy for victory to go to our heads. God brought Israel out of Egypt, and led them through the wilderness. Moses said it was God:

... Who fed you in the wilderness with manna, which your fathers did not know, that He might humble you and that He might test you, to do you good in the end--then you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gained me this wealth.'" (**Deuteronomy 8:16-17**)

They had had to gather manna daily to teach them humility and obedience to God. None of them could claim their part of the Promised Land without doing His will.

And you shall remember the LORD your God, for it is He who gives you power to get wealth. (**Deuteronomy 8:18**)

Today, no one has a claim to salvation without Jesus Christ, for He said,

"He who believes and is baptized will be saved." (**Mark 16:16**)

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1-27-2022 Whose Success Is It?

King David saw success and said:

"Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, The power and the glory, The victory and the majesty; For all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours; Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, And You are exalted as head over all. Both riches and honor come from You, And You reign over all. In Your hand is power and might; In Your hand it is to make great And to give strength to all. "Now therefore, our God, We thank You And praise Your glorious name. But who am I, and who are my people, That we should be able to offer so willingly as this? For all things come from You, And of Your own we have given You." (**1 Chronicles 29:11-14**)

If our economy improves, wouldn't this be a wonderful "State of the Union Address?"

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1-28-2022 Are Demons Saved?

Do you believe in Jesus Christ? Enough to confess who He is?

And the unclean spirits, whenever they saw Him, fell down before Him and cried out, saying, 'You are the Son of God'. (**Mark 3:11**)

Demons believed and confessed Jesus is "the Son of God." What did you do to be saved by Jesus: believed? confessed? If you were told that saved you, does that mean "demons" were saved? The Gospel says:

Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures (**1 Corinthians 15:3-4**).

People are commanded to:

Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins (**Acts 2:38**).

Are you "saved" like a demon, or obeying "in the name of Jesus Christ?"

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