

# Without A Sword

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## Introduction

Last week we took the time to Remember what God has done and, as predicted, we were surprised and delighted by the goodness of God. So often we focus on what we don't have over what we do have. We forget about the provisions in our hand thinking about what's missing. The truth is everything you need to fulfil your destiny is within your reach.

When David faced Goliath, all he had was a slingshot and five smooth stones. Goliath was wearing a shield and carrying a sword and a spear. The Bible says his coat weighed the equivalent of 78 pounds. It would have been easy for David to wonder to himself or ask God "where is my sword?", "why don't I have a shield?" "how can I fight when I'm not properly equipped?" But David knew that one ordinary stone from the brook, paired with God's extraordinary power, contained all the power that he needed to defeat the enemy.

Today, take the time to remember, that victory is not about what you have, it's about God's anointing on what you have. Take your focus off what's missing, what's lacking or whatever else you feel you need to win the war. No matter how small, how ordinary, how ill equipped you feel, God can put His anointing on what is in your hand. With God on your side, all things are possible!

## Getting Started

- Read 1 Samuel 17: 1-50
- How did David respond to being cursed out by Goliath in verse 43 and 44?
- Why does the scripture in verse 50 specifically mention that there was *no sword in the hand of David*? Why is this detail important?

## Let's Get Personal

- How do you respond to being cursed out by your enemies? How can you implement David's example in your life situations?



- When facing a difficult battle in your life, have you ever found yourself focusing on what's missing instead of being grateful for what is in your hand? How can you shift that?

### **Take the Next Step**

- Get your prayer journal or a sheet of paper and begin to write a strategic plan. Make a decision about what you are going to do the next time you are attacked with thoughts of lack and feelings of inadequacy. Prepare to meet it and so defeat it!

