FACING GIANTS:

SLAYING THE GIANTS IN YOUR LIFE (PART I)



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Romans 8: 38-39



Behold, I have put My words in your mouth. See, I have this day set you over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out and to pull down, to destroy and to throw down, to build and to plant.

Jeremiah 1:9-10

FEED MY FLOCK (John 21: 15-19)
We are committed to GOD's instructions that brought this program to live.

EVENTS

Among other program of events in progress include:

- Newsletter To stay connected and informed.
- Deep Spirituality To develop a dynamic and transformative walk with GOD through podcasts, devotionals, Youtube channel, and spotify.
- Publication of our flyers to be broadcasted on major Social Media platforms.

FEBRUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER

What's Happening?

We are excited to announce that Deliverance Prayer Ministry has launched a NEW website at deliveranceprayerministry.org! Some of the great NEW features include:

- Prayer live stream.
- Prayer request platform.
- Inspiring resource center.
- Opportunity to contribute to our giving fundings.
- It's safe and secure.
- You can conncet or share with us.

Prayer Live Stream

Join Us Live

Wednesday: 9:00 PM - 9:30 PM [EST] & **Saturday:** 7:00 - 7:30 AM [EST]

Zoom Meeting ID: 912 467 2165

Passcode: MR3pHR

Join by telephone: (646) 558-8656

Participant ID: 433387 Passcode: 812679

Join using our website: www.deliveranceprayerministry.org

Life is a battlefield. We are all involved in a battlefield with one giant or the other in our lives. Whether in a personal warfare, in our family, community, church, nation, or in our generation. Many of you are fighting the biggest giant you've ever faced, a struggle to regain lost grounds. You feel surrounded on all sides by the storm of the moment. The giants in our lives manifest themselves in different forms, but they all have something in common; they try to rob us of our peace and joy. In JESUS' words, "The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly." These giants could manifest in the form of sicknesses, diseases, financial challenges, job related issues, fear, shame, guilt, lack, relationship problems, or anything else keeping you from living your best life or keeping you from fully fulfilling your GOD's given destiny. Many times, we're so consumed by the adversities they pose in our lives, rather than seeing them as opportunity for advancement or promotion. We can learn from David's experience that giant provides opportunities for promotion. You have to slay the giant standing between you and your victory. Just like David did, you do this by declaring your faith in GOD. Bold words backed by faith in GOD and His covenant, caused a teenage boy with no military training and nothing but a sling and five rocks to take down a military champion in the person of Goliath of Philistine.

Ironically, some giants may seem impossible to conquer, but GOD promised in His Word that we already have the victory in CHRIST, JESUS. "These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you [a]will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." John 16: 33 "For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—[a]our faith." I John 5: 4 (see also I Corinthians 15: 54; Romans 8: 37; Psalms 108: 13). Moses says to the Israelites, "You must not fear them, for the Lord your God Himself fights for you." Deuteronomy 3: 22

In the midst of our struggles, faith doesn't always seem as the only viable option we have, but the fact of the matter is, faith is the only option to bring us true victory. We see many examples in The Bible of people faced with giants which initially appear impossible to overcome. At the end, they come out victorious. For example, David against Goliath, Gideon against the Midianites, and Moses against Pharaoh, just to mention some of them. In each of these situations, GOD conquered for those who put their faith in Him. GOD allows certain trials or challenges in our lives, not because He wants us to suffer, but so that we can grow in our character and in our faith in Him. "Therefore, having been justified by faith, [a]we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. 3 And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces [b]perseverance; 4 and perseverance, [c]character; and character, hope." Romans 5: 1-4

The Scripture says, "For a great and effective door has opened to me, and there are many adversaries." I Corinthians 16: 9. Who are these adversaries? They are the so-called giants. In the physical sense, a giant is one whose physical body is immensely bigger than a normal person. These giants are fierce in nature. They are fearful, and not just in size, but in their actions as well.

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They could be physical or spiritual giants, situations, systemic, or wicked personalities afflicting, tormenting, or harassing your life. They attach both in the physical and in the spiritual. "For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of [b]the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places." Ephesians 6: 12. Therefore, we must know how to fight our battle. "This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' says the Lord of hosts. 7 'Who are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you shall become a plain! And he shall bring forth the capstone with shouts of "Grace, grace to it!" Zechariah 4: 6-7. Apostle Paul makes it clearer by saying, "For the weapons of our warfare are not [a]carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds." II Corinthians 10: 4

Nothing great comes without opposition, especially to test our alliance, resolve, and faith in GOD, and of our LORD and Savior, JESUS CHRIST. The devil will always attempt to stop a believer from fulfilling their destiny. Giants are destiny stronghold that stands in the paths of believers to greatness. They often show up in the life of people unnoticed, especially when one is on the verge of great accomplishment or breakthrough. They are strongholds and with numerous followers as well. They can be compared to the slave masters of Egypt, their power and dominion goes unchecked, and ready to rob or afflict punishments at will. They rob life by causing untimely death. They alter destinies, careers, and eager to post a stumbling block to their victims. Proverbs 4: 16 states this at best, "For they do not sleep unless they have done evil; And their sleep is [a]taken away unless they make someone fall." The altar of prayer is the platform available to believers to wage this battle.

Giants are agents of the devil whose main purpose is to take away our joy, peace, and blessings in life. Satan is the king of ruining lives, and he is relentless at it. However, for every giant, there is a solution. The solution is GOD. Our GOD is bigger and stronger than any giant that we can ever come across. It is the strategy of the enemy that you lose focus on GOD, for you to forget how strong GOD is, so that he, Satan, can magnify his evil agents. When David faced Goliath, he found himself face to face with a giant that many of his people feared. We serve a GOD Who is able and more than able to put an end to any giant for the sake of His children. He silences and defeats the fiercest of them. Our GOD is a GOD that turns the impossible to possibility. "For with God nothing will be impossible." Luke 1: 37. In Jeremiah 32: 17, He says, "Ah, Lord God! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and outstretched arm. There is nothing too [a]hard for You," Verse 27; and GOD reaffirms the statement, saying, "Behold, I am the Lord, the God of all flesh. Is there anything too hard for Me?" In the battle of life, you must fight against the stronghold, Satan, and any of his agents on assignment. "Blessed be the Lord my Rock, Who trains my hands for war, And my fingers for battle— 2 My lovingkindness and my fortress, My high tower and my deliverer, My shield and the One in whom I take refuge, Who subdues [a]my people under me." Psalms 144: 1-2. Apostle Paul wrote to Timothy saying, "Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses." I Timothy 6: 12.

You can overcome every giant by the blood of The Lamb and the word of your testimony (Revelation 12: 11). To set your tongue on the right course, you need to invoke the power of prayer. "However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting." Matthew 17: 21. Make prayer a part of your lifestyle.

Have you ever identified the giants in your life? Giants can be situational or events in one's life. They are agents of the devil trying to take away good things and good attributes from you. They are joy-killers and pain-givers. They may start at first as baby giant that seems innocent, insignificant, and before you know it, they become bigger than any mountain you know and becomes harder to get rid of. Giants are relentless, they require effort and alertness on your part. It does not matter how small you appear in the face of your giants, what matter is your relationship with GOD, "The Lord is near to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him in truth. 19 He will fulfill the desire of those who fear Him; He also will hear their cry and save them. 20 The Lord preserves all who love Him, but all the wicked He will destroy." Psalms 145: 18-20. The LORD is so big that we cannot get away from His shadow, or from His presence, and in His presence is the fullness of joy, and at His right hand are pleasures forevermore (Psalms 16: 11), "...He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world." I John 4: 4. Meaning that, The Giant in you is bigger than the combination of all the giants in this world.

In The Book of I Samuel chapter 17, it's a well-known story about the battle between David and Goliath. In case you're unfamiliar with this passage of The Bible, Goliath was a giant of the army of the Philistines. He was described to be "six cubits and a span" (I Samuel 17: 4). In other words, this giant was roughly 9 feet and 9 inches tall. He regularly taunted the Israelites to the point that the whole nation quaked in fear of him and the army of the Philistines. Nevertheless, David was willing to confront him. "Then David spoke to the men who stood by him, saying, "What shall be done for the man who kills this Philistine and takes away the reproach from Israel? For who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?" I Samuel 17: 26. When King Saul heard of David's bravery, he called for the young man to be brought to him. He was more amused than impressed when David confidently told him. "The Lord, who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, He will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine." I Samuel 17: 3, because David was just a young shepherd boy. Nevertheless, with the authority of the king, he was sent to face Goliath.

Let us consider the weapon in his possession to face a military giant of this caliber. He had a sling and five stones from the nearby brook. His small stature would not even let him fit into the armor of King Saul. To understand the magnitude of his bravery, it was like a four-year-old boy attempting to confront an NFL linebacker with a slingshot and some stones. It looks rather laughable and in the realm of impossibility. No wonder Goliath

said to him, "Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?" I Samuel 17: 43. David was undaunted; he stands confidently in front of a man who easily twice his size. Then David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with a sword, with a spear, and with a javelin. But I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied." I Samuel 17: 45. One thing to learn from this encounter, was that he knew he was never going to face the giant in his own power, but in the power and strength of The Commander of the armies of Israel. "Then all this assembly shall know that the Lord does not save with sword and spear; for the battle is the Lord's, and He will give you into our hands." I Samuel 17: 47. As David predicted, GOD delivered the giant into his hand and the Philistines army fled before the Israelites. The battle was won because of the faith of one small shepherd boy who dared to defy a giant.

Unfortunately, giants enter into the life of every Christians. They may not be literal giants standing in front of your eyes. But you know their impact in your life, you recognize their taunts. You're familiar with their threats. You have to rise to the occasion, just like David and confront the giants in your life in the power and in the strength of The LORD, GOD. You need to summon the courage to say, "The battle is The LORD's."

In this prayer series, we are going to be engaging in prayer points against giants in your destiny: Destiny killers and destiny destroyers. I pray that every power of darkness lording over you shall be utterly destroyed today, IJN. The LORD will build a hedge of His protection around you, and you shall be untouchable to the enemy and unstoppable as you match gloriously to your prepared place of success and glory, IJN. Amen.



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