

IN TOUCH

SUPERMAN DAVID

Dear Friend:

Did any of you watch Superman when you were little? I am not just speaking to men, ladies a few of you perhaps watched him too. I can still remember the opening of the program, it started like this: "Look, up in the sky, it's a bird, it's a plane, no....it's Superman...". Superman could defeat any bad guy (or lady). He had courage, he had confidence, and he was committed to finishing what he started!

Three thousand years before T.V. God had a superman and his name was David. In I Samuel 17 David was not yet the famous king of Israel but he was just the youngest brother in a family full of boys. His family responsibility was to watch the sheep, thus, he was a shepherd boy. One day his dad told him to take food to his brothers who were near the front lines of a war with the Philistines. As he is trying to deliver the food he hears a giant named Goliath challenging the Israelites to put forth someone to fight him 1 on 1, mano y mano. In those days, sometimes kings of two warring nations would agree to what was called a "One man combat". One man from each army would be chosen to fight a man from the other army. Winner takes all. Why would they do that? Two reasons usually. First reason: both kings were not sure if they could win. Second: they both feared lots and lots of bloodshed before a winner would be determined. This is what was happening between the Israelites and the Philistines. You can read the details in I Samuel 17.

You know the story of David and Goliath. Goliath had superman strength but David had super-size traits that made him God's superman. David had courage, read I Samuel 17 and you will see he "chomps at the bit" for an opportunity to fight Goliath. David had confidence. Saul tried to offer David his armor but David said "No thanks". Why? Because he had confidence that God would be his armor and his shield. David had so much confidence that he invented trash talk as he told Goliath he was going to chop-off his head! Finally, David had a commitment to see the job through. Oh that we would have more men and women who would see the job through.

David had courage, David has confidence, and David had a commitment to see the job through. How do you measure up? What do you need to improve?

In Christ's Love, Pastor Mike

Prayers: Joyce Derwent family, Alan Hicks (cancer), Clarabell....recovery

Events: Sunday 1:30 p.m. Celebration of Life Service For Joyce Derwent at the church. Thursday September 23 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Women's Ministry Group (this is new, be the first to join!),