

*You must love the
LORD your God with
all your heart,*



*all
your soul, and
all your strength.*

Deuteronomy 6:5

Great Swamp Baptist Church

February 13, 2022

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Sunday Morning Worship

10:30 AM

The Welcome

Announcements

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Call To Worship

Hymn # 330

“Amazing Grace”

Invocation

Mack Pope

Selections of Praise & Worship

Hymn # 189

“The Lily of the Valley”

We Pray for Special Needs

Pastoral and Offertory Prayer

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Worship by Giving

Offertory Special

Angell Usher

“I’ll Fly Away”

“Had It Not Been”

Message

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Invitation

Benediction Prayer

Nursery Workers

Today: Vanessa Smoak
Helpers Needed; See Vanessa



Sunday Mornings

Following

The Song Service

Children's Church

Today: Olivia Stanley/Mason Losgar/Emily Johnson



Tuesday Mornings @ 9:00am



DEACON OF THE WEEK :

Today:

Mack Pope: 843-540-6636

Next Week:

Keith Gamo: 843-986-8525



*From
Pastor*



David's Final Victories

(I Chron. 20:4-8)

Intro: On Wednesday nights for the last two weeks, we have been examining David's victories. The first Wednesday night in Chapter 18, we looked in a broad general sense of his victories, particularly focusing upon the statement made twice in the chapter that, "The Lord gave David victory everywhere he went." (18:6,13).

The second Wednesday night, we looked at David's victories in a more detailed manner. As we saw in the first study, God gave David his victories. In the second study we looked at the specific way in which God gave David and the nation of Israel their victories, such as fighting together as a team and relying upon the Lord.

Now with this particular message I want us to take a look at David's final victories. God eventually gave David rest from all of his enemies around him. But before that rest could take place, David had to fight a few more fierce battles that ultimately subdued his enemies. This last set of battles David fought and God gave him the victories in. I believe has a lot of lessons that we can learn from and apply to our lives as we fight the battle of life.

I. First, let us notice that David's final victories were fought against his most persistent enemies. (vs. 4).

This verse tells us that, "In the course of time, war broke out with the Philistines..." Now, we could easily add to that again and again and again. This was not the first time David had encountered the Philistines. They were his first enemies he had to fight when as a young lad he took on the Philistine giant, Goliath, and now we find him back at war with them at the end of his fighting career which has spanned a number of years.

However, David didn't just fight them at the start of his fighting career nor at the end of his fighting career but also many times in between. Though David knocked them down time and time again, they kept on coming back again and again.

In life, we are going to face some persistent enemies that don't easily give up or give in. This will result in us getting tired, frustrated and wondering whether or not we will ever cease fighting and have victory over our persistent enemies.

Oh, Child of God, don't give up or give in. for we have the promise of God that the ultimate victory is ours to have, and not only do we have His promises to assure us of that, but we also have the past to reveal that. For over and over again we see one example after another in God's Holy Word which has shown that.

The enemies of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ were persistent of their attack upon Jesus all of the way to the grave but regardless of their many efforts, they failed to hold Him in the grave.

II. Second, let us notice that David's final victories were fought against his most prestigious enemies. (vs. 4,6,8).

The Philistine warriors had a prestigious pedigree from which they descended. They came from an ancestral group of warriors and giants from a long time back. I mean long before Israel had come into the Promise Land. They were proud of their heritage and they believed that it had given them an advantage over their enemies for many long years and it had until King David, under God's leadership.

Now, in the battles of life, we, too, are going to fight against enemies that as we say in life are somebody. Somebody or something that has been around a long time and comes from somebody that was somebody in the past. These enemies believe that because they are somebody they therefore have an advantage over us. Their name, they believe makes them better.

Well, Child of God, don't fret just because we didn't come from some prestigious background. Don't let what you consider to be an insignificant name you have, for you serve the One the Bible says has the name which is above every name. also, though they can point to a long ancestral line of prestige and power, your Blessed Savior comes from eternity past to eternal future. Amen and Praise the Lord.

III. Third, let us notice that David's final victories were fought against his most powerful enemies. (vs. 5-6).

We are told in these verses that one of the enemies they brought down was the brother of Goliath whom David brought down as a young lad. We know that Goliath was nearly 10 feet tall and the verse seems to be indicating that his brother was big as well because like Goliath he carried a spear that had a shaft as big as a weaver's rod measuring that it was bigger than anyone else's spear at the time, much bigger.

Then, we are told that another one of the enemies they defeated was a man so huge that he had six fingers on each hand and six toes on each foot. This man had a solid foundation under him and wasn't going to be brought down so easy.

So, David and his army faced what appears to be his most powerful enemies and battles at the last of his battles.

We can learn from this that many of the battles we will fight in life, particularly so of our latter battles in life, may be against some of our most powerful enemies. But like King David and his men, none of these powerful enemies were ever able to conquer and defeat them because David's God who also is our God is more powerful and bigger than all the forces of hell put together. So, don't look at the size of your enemies but rather the size of your God.

IV. Fourth, let us notice that David's final victories were fought against his most pierced enemies.

Now the point I am making here is that David's most persistent, prestigious and powerful enemy was also his most defeated enemy. Since that is who David fought against the most, that is also who he defeated and conquered the most. He defeated so many times that they finally stopped warring with David.

We need to remember that if we are trusting and relying upon our Blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we will defeat our enemies over and over again.

For like the Philistines, our enemies will wane down with each defeat, but our God never grows weary. He neither slumbers nor sleeps. (Ps. 121:4). Isaiah tells us of the everlasting energy of our Lord when he said, "Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and His understanding non one can fathom." (Is. 40:28).

The resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord was God's way of saying to every enemy of His and His people you are finished and defeated. Oh, Child of God, hang in there, the ultimate victory is ours.

Concl. Matthew Henry, that great preacher of the past, said of these verses, "The servants of David, though men of ordinary stature, were too hard for the giants of Gath in every encounter, because they had God on their side. We need not fear great men against us while we have the great God for us. What will a finger more on each hand do or a toe more on each foot, in context with the Omnipotence." In the words of Apostle Paul, "What then shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us?" (Rom. 8:31).

*Jesus Loves You
Ralph Lee, Jr.*



Wednesday Night Supper

Menu

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Fixins

\$5.00 each or \$15.00 for a family of 4 or more.

Kevin
Sorbo

Kristy
Swanson

Debby
Ryan

and John
Ratzenberger

What if...

What if God
gave you
a second chance?



Awarded Dove Foundation's Family
Seal of Approval with 5 out of 5 Doves.
All Ages

★★★★★! Extremely well made,
funny, heartwarming..."
—Movieguide

Movie Night

Sunday, February 20th

Concessions: 5:30 pm Movie: 6:00 pm

Popcorn & Tea provided

Please Bring finger foods to share



<i>Monday</i>	<i>14th</i>	<i>Allene Malphrus</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>16th</i>	<i>Alex Síneath</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>19th</i>	<i>Vera Miles</i>

Grandmother's Group

Monday, February 14th

11:00 am

Bring

Valentine Cards

Tea Cup & Saucer w/ Bible Verse in it

Red & White Foods

Recipes for Bulletin



January & February

We are starting to collect for the shoeboxes.

This month is hygiene items.

Soap

Wash Cloths

Toothbrushes

Combs (Boys & Girls)

Brushes

Pony Tail Holders

Head Bands

Hair Barrettes



Coming Next Month
February 15th

**STEP OF FAITH CHRISTIAN
ACADEMY PRESENTS**
MURDER'S IN THE HEIR

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH @ 7PM

9009 TARBORO RD RIDGELAND SC

Adults-\$12.00
Seniors and students \$8.00



Directed By-
Mrs Rhonda Stones

Poster By VP- Big
Sister Designs

GSBC Prayer Page

*Ralph Lee, Jr. - Pastor
Richard Waitt- Music Director
Deacons*

Leadership
*President / Vice President of the
United States of America*

Church Needs
*Sunday School
SFCA-Donna Carter
Child Development
Ministries*

*Ministries
Outreach Ministry
In reach Ministry*

Bereavement
*Family of
Tillotson Families*

Unspoken

Hospitals

Surgery / Recovery

*Skylar Saygen
Michelle Rooks
Judy Rogers
Louise McAlhaney
Chance Tracey
Charlee Carter*

Nursing Centers

*Elaine Degler-RNC
Bobby Mohn-Indigo Pines HHI
Byron Vaigneur-Assist.
Dot Nettles-RNC*

Cancer / Treatments

*Douglas Denegel
Becky Goretzka
Gail Sims
Skip Brooks
Regina Bouye
Kaiaya Alston
Wesley Ethridge
Ralph Lee, Jr.
Denita Linton
David Linton*

Other Health Needs

*Loony Jones
(Jeffrey Stanley's Grandfather)
Tracey Lake
Pinky Rushing
Sara Davis
Bob Cramer
Karen Phillipi
Bertha Kinard
Marie Malphrus
Kenny Hay
Mary Kay
David Raines
Ellen Nettles
Donna Roberts
Jennifer Pitts Key
Ernest Blount
Stephen Roberts*

Please Continue To Remember

Homebound

<i>Shirley Malphrus</i>	<i>Tom Hinely</i>
<i>Rose Boyles</i>	<i>Scott Boyles</i>
<i>Judy Smith</i>	<i>Ann Blocker</i>
<i>Vera Floyd</i>	<i>Kenneth & Doby Cleland</i>
<i>Barbara Mills</i>	<i>Redden & Gloria Tuten</i>
<i>Alice & Gary Way</i>	<i>Lucille & Ron Degler</i>
<i>Kenny Smith</i>	<i>Red & Helen Malphrus</i>
<i>Carol Bradham</i>	<i>Shelby Green</i>
<i>Diane Hannah</i>	

Pray For Our Military

*Sgt. Jared Blanton-Deployed
Matthew Mills-US Marines
Jericho Malphrus-Sp. Agent / Air Force
Washington, D.C.
Michael Sottile - Ret.
Tristan Blanton-San Diego/ SWCC
Andrea C. Daring-Petaluma, California*

Church Staff

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Stewardship

Tithes	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
	\$ 5,732.00	\$ 4,982.47	+ \$ 749.53
<i>Online Offerings</i>	\$		
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
<i>Senior Trip (2022)</i>	\$ 100.00	*****	\$ 1,902.72
<i>Children's Ministry</i>	\$ 5.00	*****	\$ 1,451.86
<i>Gleaner's Sunday School Class</i>	\$ 69.00	*****	\$ 779.66
<i>Cemetery</i>	\$ 50.00	*****	\$ 50.00
<i>Sunday Morning Breakfast</i>	\$ 113.00	*****	\$ 250.00
<i>Wednesday Night Supper</i>	\$ 176.00	*****	\$ 346.91
<i>Kitchen Supplies</i>	\$ 75.00	*****	\$ 75.00



Business Conference
Wednesday , March 9th



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Sunday School.....9:15AM
Morning Worship.....10:30AM
Wednesday Night Service.....7:00PM

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