

## Message: The God of the armies of Israel

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**Bible reading:** 2 Kings 6:16-18 KJV And he answered, Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them. [17] And Elisha prayed, and said, Lord, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the Lord opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha. [18] And when they came down to him, Elisha prayed unto the Lord, and said, Smite this people, I pray thee, with blindness. And he smote them with blindness according to the word of Elisha.

Note one bitter fact beloved, the enemy or your enemies have power, to fight, attack, defend, kill and destroy....going back to our reference scripture for yesterday, the enemy ( Goliath ) was described as trained, well protected and full of pride as seen in the scripture below

**1 Samuel 17:32-37,40,43-51 KJV** And David said to Saul, Let no man's heart fail because of him; thy servant will go and fight with this Philistine. [33] And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou art but a youth, and he a man of war from his youth. [34] And David said unto Saul, Thy servant kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock: [35] And I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered it out of his mouth: and when he arose against me, I caught him by his beard, and smote him, and slew him. [36] Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them, seeing he hath defied the armies of the living God. [37] David said moreover, The Lord that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said unto David, Go, and the Lord be with thee. [40] And he took his staff in his hand, and chose him five smooth stones out of the brook, and put them in a shepherd's bag which he had, even in a scrip; and his sling was in his hand: and he drew near to the Philistine. [43] And the Philistine said unto David, Am I a dog, that thou comest to me with staves? And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. [44] And the Philistine said to David, Come to me, and I will give thy flesh unto the fowls of the air, and to the beasts of the field. [45] Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied. [46] This day will the Lord deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee; and I will give the carcasses of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel. [47] And all this assembly shall know that the Lord saveth not with sword and spear: for the battle is the Lord's, and he will give you into our hands. [48] And it came to pass, when the Philistine arose, and came and drew nigh to meet David, that David hasted, and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine. [49] And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang it, and smote the Philistine in his forehead, that the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth. [50] So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him; but there was no sword in the hand of David. [51] Therefore David ran, and stood upon the Philistine, and took his sword, and drew it out of the sheath thereof, and slew him, and cut off his head therewith. And when the Philistines saw their champion was dead, they fled.

David confronted the giant in the name of the God of the armies of Israel whom Goliath defiled and that God turned a stone to a missile that brought down the mighty enemy.....

God of the armies of Israel is

- The man of war:- **Exodus 15:3 KJV** The Lord is a man of war: the Lord is his name. He can fight with water fire, earthquake, brimstone, horrible tempest, hot coal of fire, wild wind, earth, terrifying noise etc
- The lord that answereth by fire **1 Kings 18:36-39 KJV** And it came to pass at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that thou art God in Israel, and that I am thy servant, and that I have done all these things at thy word. [37] Hear me, O Lord, hear me, that this people may know that thou art the Lord God, and that thou hast turned their heart back again. [38] Then the fire of the Lord fell, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench. [39] And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces: and they said, The Lord, he is the God; the Lord, he is the God.

David knew that you cannot insult God and go unpunished that was why he stepped in to be used by God to destroy Goliath. I'm praying this hour that the God of the armies of Israel answer you against your enemies...

The god of the armies of Israel answered David as seen in **Psalms 20:1-2 KJV** The Lord hear thee in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob defend thee; [2] Send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Zion;

Your enemies have insulted you more than enough, it is time to invite the God of the armies of Israel against them.....

For the God of the armies of Israel to fight for you, you must first surrender yourself to his lordship and follow in strict obedience.....

## Prayer

1. O God my father prove yourself as the man of war against my enemies in the name of Jesus
2. Host of heaven appear and fight my battles in the name of Jesus
3. Shame my enemies and their weapons on the name of Jesus
4. O lord my father defend your name in my life and family in the name of Jesus
5. Open my eyes O lord to see the chariots of fire that are for me in the name of Jesus