

The LORD is with the Humble

1 Samuel 18

A. Context: The battle belongs to the LORD (1 Samuel 17)

1. While Saul, Eliab, and the army of Israel were _____ in fear of Goliath, David was moved to _____ in fear of the LORD.
2. David's humble faith was the key to _____ Goliath and his pride; the circumstances didn't _____—the perspective did.

B. The LORD _____ the humble while the proud create their own misery. v.1-9

1. David, whose _____ was in the LORD, was blessed with a _____ friend, wisdom, and respect.
2. Saul, who trusted no one but himself, was overcome with _____ and anger, because his _____ was hurt.

C. The LORD _____ the humble, but the proud are _____ in their own schemes. v.10-16

1. Saul's unsuccessful attempts on David's life were not a _____ of "mental illness", but the practical _____ of sin-induced blindness.
2. David, instead of leaving Saul or despising him, _____ performed his duties with wisdom.
3. The LORD, who _____ everything, not only protected David, but blessed him and _____ him before the entire nation.

D. The LORD is _____ to those who walk in humility and His Spirit _____ them in wisdom. v.17-30

1. Despite Saul's desire to _____ the situation, David succeeded again and again because the LORD was with him.
2. Time does not _____ the truth: If we desire, like David, to see the LORD's guidance, protection, and blessing in our lives, we must constantly _____ our heart, our mind, and our pride to His authority. (Matthew 5:1-16, Hebrews 12:25-29, James 4:6-10)
3. The LORD is near to the _____...How is your heart doing? (Psalm 34:15-22)

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A. 1-paralyzed, action, 2-overcoming, change, B.-blesses, 1-trust, true, 2-jealousy, pride, C.-protects, caught, 1-result, consequences, 2-faithfully, 3-knows, prospered, D.-near, guides, 1-control, 2-alter, submit, 3-brokenhearted