Hearing, declaring and doing

*May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer. Psalms 19:14*

# 1 Samuel 17

1) Hearing – 1 Samuel 17:1-11, 16

* *Therefore take heed how you hear. For whoever has, to him more will be given; and whoever does not have, even what he seems to have will be taken from him. Luke 8:18*
* There is a war of words, listen to the Word of God and the Holy Spirit. The enemy is loud and mouthy, we must be careful not to be overcome by his words – Joshua 1:8-9
* *And he was given a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies, and he was given authority to continue for forty-two months. Then he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His name, His tabernacle, and those who dwell in heaven. Revelation 13:5-6*
* We must not be intimidated or fearful by what we hear – 2 Timothy 1:7, Psalm 112:6-8

2) Declaring – 1 Samuel 17:31-47

* The historical account of David and Goliath is a classic example of a war of words. Goliath was bold, loud and mouthy; David responded in kind with bold, loud declarations to counter the words of the enemy
* Proverbs 18:7, 20-21, Job 22:28

3) Doing – 1 Samuel 17:47-54

* *For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also. James 2:26*
* We must go beyond declaring to obedience and doing what we know is right.
* Psalm 111:10, Matthew 7:24-29
* We have been given authority to cut off false voices being spoken to our family and friends. We do this by praying and fasting, and by speaking the truth in love – Matthew 16:19, 17:20-21



Three ways to pray for the lost:

1. Bind spiritual deception – 2 Corinthians 4:3-4
2. Pray laborers into their harvest field – Luke 10:2
3. Pray that God will draw them – John 6:44