

Against Insurmountable Odds

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☐ Jonathan, with only his armourbearer, was enabled by God to defeat a garrison of the Philistines because Jonathan knew that “the LORD will work for us: for there is no restraint to the LORD to save by many or by few” (*1 Sam. 14:6*).

☐ By faith, young David was able to slay a mighty giant so that “all the earth may know there is a God in Israel” (*1 Sam. 17:46*).

☐ Asa’s smaller army had to face a million-man Ethiopian army including 300 chariots. His simple trust in the Almighty was revealed by his triumphant prayer: “LORD, it is nothing with Thee to help, whether with many or with them that have no power: help us, O LORD our God; for we rest on Thee” (*2 Chron. 14:11*).

☐ Jehoshaphat faced a desperate situation as his kingdom was threatened by great armies, yet he trusted God to do the fighting. He told his people “Thus saith the LORD...be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude; for the battle is not yours, but God’s” (*2 Chron. 20:15*).

☐ Hezekiah was threatened by the mighty Assyrian empire, but his God answered his cry for help (see *2 Kings 19:19*) and 185,000 Assyrians dropped dead. God plus one is a majority, and “if God be for us, who can be against us?” (*Rom. 8:31*).

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