



**Lesson 39 (1 Samuel 17:1-24): Meet the giant**

Read Psalm 23:1-4. What does the Psalmist say he won't fear?

Why not?

Read Psalm 27:1-4. Why does the Psalmist not fear in this passage?

What does the Psalmist want for himself here?

Read 1 John 4:15-18. As Christ perfects us in His love, what can we have confidence of?

What cannot exist in love?

What type of love casts out fear?

Who (alone) has displayed this kind of love?

Read Job 1:1. What are the qualities of Job listed here? How is fear talked about here?

Read Psalm 121. Where does our help come from?

Why is it reassuring to know that God doesn't slumber?

Who would you rather have controlling your goings in and out: yourself or God? Why? (Be honest. If this is an area you struggle with—giving control over to God—you need to work it out so you can give it over to Him. No one's going to grade this, so be honest.)

There is only One whom we should fear, and that is God. And even that fear is not the kind of fear we experience when we worry over money or relationships. It's an awed fear, a reverent fear, of a just and holy God. When you have a relationship with Him, though, you can draw near to Him any time through prayer. What fears are you struggling with today? As you pray today, ask God to cast that fear out of you, and to replace it with knowledge of Him; the One who is in control of everything.