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Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 124

Did you know that God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you?

God proves His love to you by **His battling love**. 1 Sam. 17:45-47 "Then David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with a sword, a spear, and a javelin, but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have taunted. This day the Lord will deliver you up into my hands, and I will strike you down and remove your head from you. And I will give the dead bodies of the army of the Philistines this day to the birds of the sky and the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, and that all this assembly may know that the Lord does not deliver by sword or by spear; for the battle is the Lord's and He will give you into our hands."

The Hebrew word for <u>battle</u> is **ham mil cha mah** which means to lead wage war with the intent to win. God doesn't fight battles with the thought that He could lose because He can't; He is all powerful. When God comes to fight for you, you can be sure that He will win every time! Young David understood this to be true even when the army of Israel did not. They were quaking in fear because of the giant Goliath. I love the enthusiasm of this young shepherd boy as he goes out to face the adversary. In his mind, the size of this giant was nothing in comparison to the God he served. I like how someone once put it; the Israelites thought Goliath was too big to fight, but David thought he was too big to miss. And so with a few spoken words young little David ran toward the battle telling the giant along the way, how God was going to give him into David's hand. And how could he be so sure? He had seen God at work before. He was a boy after God's own heart. He had faith that the God Who had saved him from the lion and the bear would also take care of him that day. And take care of him, God surely did. The giant fell with one properly placed stone to the forehead. How is this possible? Let David remind you once more with his own words: "for the battle is the Lord's and He will give you into our hands." And give them over He did!

Dear Father, thank You that You battle for Your children. You will not rest or slumber, but will always be watching over us and fighting for us. You are the Mighty One and we praise You. In Jesus Name, Amen