

## Why Even Go To Church?

### Proverbs 2:1-12 (NIV)

#### **DO**

Accept my words (1)

**STOE UP** my commands (1)

Turn your ear to **WISDOM** (2)

Apply your **HEART** to understanding (2)

#### **THEN**

**VICTORY** (7)

Shield (7)

He guards (8)

**KNOW WHAT TO DO** (9)

Watch Over (11)

Guard you (11)

**SAVE** you (12)

What is God **PREPPING** me for?

Think of **DAVID**

Where did he get his **SLINGSHOT**?

Who showed him how to do it?

How did he get proficient?

Was it out of necessity or boredom?

I'm sure he wasn't thinking about a **GIANT**

#### **BUT**

God was prepping him – storing up a **SKILL**

A **GIANT** was coming – even though he didn't know it!

Amazing how people get in situations and don't know what God wants them to do

**DANGER** – many false and dishonest advisors out there!

When they are in the heat of the moment

Not the best time to seek knowledge

No time to get proficient

**SO WHAT?** What are you going to do with this information?

1) If David knew a giant was coming – would he have practice just **ONCE A WEEK**?

2) Do you only store up information on Sundays?

How do you attend church?

-do you listen?

-do you just listen?

-do you take notes?

-do you discuss the sermon with anyone?

What would you do **DIFFERENTLY** if you knew a giant is coming?

3) You need to practice **EVERY DAY** – church is good, but it's not enough (to face a giant)

1. **Proverb of the day**

2. **Read a short book (1 John/James) every day for a month**

3. **Read a trusted commentary**

4. **Listen to Christian radio**

5. **Ask your church leaders for suggestions**

What you do in **PRIVATE** prepares you for the public...

4) Applies to **PRAYER** too – a topic for another day

**GIANTS ARE COMING – PREPARE NOW!**