

“Keilah's Champions” by Kirk Hunt

So David and his men went to Keilah, and fought with the Philistines, and brought away their cattle, and smote them with a great slaughter. So David saved the inhabitants of Keilah.

1 Samuel 23:5 KJV

The Keilah militia was no match for first-line Philistine troops. At best, the men and women of Keilah would starve that winter. It was possible that the Philistines might not let anyone survive to be hungry.

David went to God. “Should I go save strangers?” Twice, the answer came back: “Yes.”

The marauders were mauled. David’s and his men out maneuvered, then out fought the raiders. The champions of Keilah saved the day. Only after did the helpers meet the helped.

As God’s man or woman, you are called to service in His Kingdom. Often, that will involve providing help and healing to folks you have never seen before. Service is at its most refined when given to pure strangers.

There is a modern-day Keilah crying out for you. The need is matter of life-and-death, even if military maneuvers are not needed. They need the light and life from Jesus that you carry. Nothing else will save those souls.

You may not be one of them, still you are their champion. You carry His power, healing and help within you. You’ll have to get close and personal for them to receive it.

You have what they need. Get out there and be a champion. There will be time to learn names afterward.

Think: In God’s service you might be a champion to complete strangers.

Pray: “Lord, help me to become the champion someone else needs.”

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