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Meet Your Adversary with Joy
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Sermon Discussion Notes

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Key Text: Psalm 35:27-28

➤ Shout for Joy and Be Glad (Psalm 35:27)

- Living the kingdom life changes your perspective.
 - By praising God and trusting in Him, you can overcome your problems.
- David won a great battle by trusting in God (1 Samuel 17:21-52).
 - God is greater than any giant you may face (1 John 4:4).
 - Don't let your problems become a giant by magnifying them.
 - Like David, declare victory over your problems (1 Samuel 17:46-47).
 - You can't always choose your battle, but you can choose your outcome.
 - When David declared that God was the rock of his salvation (Psalm 62:5-6), he was probably thinking of the stone that killed Goliath.
- Jehoshaphat won a great battle through praise (2 Chronicles 20:15-25).
 - It is not by might, but by God's Spirit that you will get the victory (Zechariah 4:6).
 - Victory is guaranteed when you trust in God.
- The walls of Jericho fell because of praise (Joshua 6:1-20).
 - Obstacles in your life will fall when you praise God (Isaiah 12:6; Psalm 95:1).
- Overcome your problems by having a joyful heart.
 - David commanded his soul to praise God (Psalm 42:5).
 - A joyful heart is like medicine (Proverbs 17:22).
 - The love of God has been poured out on us (Romans 5:5).
 - God will fill our mouths with laughter (Psalm 126:2).
 - Joy is a fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23).

➤ Magnify the Lord (Psalm 35:27)

- David magnified God instead of his problem (1 Samuel 17:46-47; Psalm 34:1-3).
 - He went before Goliath in the name and power of God.
- God can do more than we ask or even think is possible (Ephesians 3:17-20).

➤ The Lord has Pleasure in the Prosperity of His People (Psalm 35:27)

- The word "prosperity" in Psalm 35:27 is more than just money and material wealth. It is the word *Shalom*, which means "peace, wholeness, perfectness, health, and safety."
- When we live in prosperity, we are restored to the divine order.
 - The leper who returned to thank Jesus was not just healed but restored in all areas of his life (Luke 17:11-19).
 - The word "whole" or "well" in Luke 17:19 is the Greek word *sozo*, which means "salvation, preservation, restoration, health, and safety."
- God has given us the power to get wealth (Deuteronomy 8:18).
- Prosperous people are giving people (2 Corinthians 9:5-11).
 - God does everything for our benefit and His glory.

➤ Speak of His Righteousness and Praise All Day Long (Psalm 35:28)

- We should not be able to stop praising God's righteousness (Psalm 71:15; Acts 4:18-20).
- Death and life are in the power of the tongue (Proverbs 18:21).