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THE I AM SAYS I CAN



John Wesley Rules of Conduct

Do all the good YOU CAN,
By all the means YOU CAN,
In all the ways YOU CAN,
In all the places YOU CAN,
At all the times YOU CAN,
To all the people YOU CAN
As long as ever YOU CAN!!!!



“It’s a mantra that I live by and something that drives me every single day,” Curry said. “It’ll hopefully inspire people to find something that drives them, whether that’s a verse or some other motivating force that keeps you hungry and keeps you driven. That’s mine, and you can pick whatever yours is and let that drive you, too, as you continue with basketball or whatever field you’re in in your life.”

Characteristics of those who do the impossible

Rather than talking about it: **1 Samuel 17**

- 1.) They don't start off doing the impossible:
- 2.) They measure the impossible against potential
- 3.) They refuse to listen to doubters
- 4.) Not overwhelmed by the odds:
- 5.) They hear from God not man
- 6.) Build on past successes
- 7.) They don't try to be someone else
- 8.) They face the impossible with a higher purpose
- 9.) They are passionate to win
- 10.) They desire to help others do the impossible

1.) They don't start off doing the impossible

- David was faithful yet ferocious in his faith
- He was found feeding his family
- He was diligent in his devotions to God. Why?
- 1 Samuel 16:13 “ Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed David in the midst of his brothers: and the Spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward..”

2.) They measure the impossible against potential

- Vs. 15-27
- English Proverb “One of these days is none of these days”

“Procrastination is the art of keeping up with yesterday” Don Marguis

Dauids perspective positioned him to physically
Win and prepare him for promotion

3. They refuse to listen to doubters

- 1 Samuel 17: 28-33 41-44
- “I tend to enjoy proving people wrong” Hayley Williams
- “The loser is not the one who goes down swinging but the one who refuses to step up to the plate.” PBS

4.) Not overwhelmed by the odds

- You must sense Gods timing with His call.
- “More things are wrought by prayer than this world of dreams.” Alfred Lord Tennyson
- The unchartered path is lined with uncertainties

5.) They hear from God and not man

- “The difference between a successful person
- Is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge, but rather a lack of will.” Vince Lombardi.
- David sees what others don't and refuses to see what others do

What was Davids advantage? What did he see that his brothers didn't?

- David focused on God 9x more than the giant
- Vs 26 The Armies of the Living **GOD**
- Vs 36 The Armies of the Living **GOD**
- Vs 45 The **LORD** of host, the **GOD** of the armies of Israel
- Vs 46 The **LORD** will deliver you into my hand, that all the earth may know that there is a **GOD** in Israel.
- Vs 47 The **LORD** does not save with the sword and spear, for the battle is the **LORD's**, and **HE** will give you
- Into our hands.

6.) Build on Past Successes: 34-37

- David said to Saul, “ Your servant kept his fathers sheep. And when there came a lion or again a bear and took a lamb out of the flock, I went out after it and smote it and delivered the lamb out of its mouth; and when it rose against me, I caught it by its beard and killed it.

7.) They face the impossible with a higher purpose

- “Fear tolerated is faith contaminated” Creflo Dollar
- Albert Einstein said, “Its not that Im so smart, its just that I stay with problems longer.”
- NEVER GIVE UP ON WHAT YOU REALLY WANT TO DO. THE PERSON WITH BIG DREAMS IS MORE POWERFUL THAN ONE WITH ALL THE FACTS.

8.) They are passionate to win. Vs 48 Daicd ran quickly to the battle.

- Bill Johnson, “ Those with the most hope will have the most influence.”
- “Any area in our life for which we have no hope is under the influence of a lie”

9.) They desire to help others do the impossible.

Vs 49-52

- **A MANS GIFT MAKES
ROOM FOR HIM**

10.) They don't try and be someone else
vs 39 David took off what didn't fit

- **PAINT YOUR OWN
PORTRAIT NOT WHAT
OTHERS PAINT FOR YOU**

***What do we need to do the impossible?
STAND ON THE STONE OF THE SAVIOR!***

The stone of God's sovereignty:

The stone of God's security

The stone of God's strength:

The Stone of God's serenity:

The Stone of God's shield