I. David’s Story – The God Who Prevails: A Story Without an Ending, 1 Samuel 16 ff.

A. David’s Story Reveals the Symmetry of All History

1. The 14-14-14 Principle of History Applied Here: Matthew 1:17

B. The World According to the Newspaper or The World According to the Word

1. History: The Most Important Course in a Christian School

2. History: The Most Important Course in a Family’s Story

II. Saul – The Prelude to David’s Story: NB 1 Samuel 13 – 15

A. The Disobedience Factor

B. Disobedience by any other name is Disobedience: 1 Samuel 15:20-22

1. The Framework of God’s Plan: Absolutes

a. Compare Jesus and Conversation with the Rich Young Ruler: Mark 10:18

III. David and Goliath – 1 Samuel 17

A. Portrayal of how Providence Looks: God allows us to see His Plan

B. Personification of Paradox

1. The Truth in Contrast

C. A Slinger who became a Swinger – The Big Picture

1. A Lop-sided Conflict

a. Life is Full of Them

D. Spiritual Balderdash

1. You Say, But God Says

a. Life Lived in the Light of God’s Word

E. Faith-Based Dialog

1. God’s War College: 1 Samuel 17:47

a. Biblical Examples

(1) Jesus’ Example: Christus Victor

**Crown Him with Many Crowns**

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| 1. Crown Him with many crowns,  The Lamb upon His throne;  Hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns  All music but its own!  Awake, my soul, and sing  Of Him who died for thee,  And hail Him as thy matchless King  Through all eternity. | **2.** Crown Him the Lord of love;  Behold His hands and side,  Rich wounds, yet visible above,  In beauty glorified;  No angel in the sky  Can fully bear that sight,  But downward bends his burning eye  At mysteries so bright. |