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- En Theos - possessed [filled] or inspired by God

⁵⁷ But thank God! He gives us victory over sin and death through our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁵⁸ So, my dear brothers and sisters, be strong and immovable. Always work enthusiastically for the Lord, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless.

1 Corinthians 15:57-58 (NLT)

Whatever you are doing, work at it with enthusiasm, as to the Lord and not for people,

Colossians 3:23 (NET1)

The En Theos of David

⁴⁵ David said to the Philistine, “You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the LORD Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. ⁴⁶ This day the LORD will deliver you into my hands, and I’ll strike you down and cut off your head. This very day I will give the carcasses of the Philistine army to the birds and the wild animals, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel.

1 Samuel 17:45-46 (NIV11)

Where Did David’s Enthusiasm Come From?

- He _____ God daily
- he _____ with God daily
- He _____ God daily.

Two Seasons of David’s Life

⁴⁸ As Goliath moved closer to attack, David quickly ran out to meet him. ⁴⁹ Reaching into his shepherd’s bag and taking out a stone, he hurled it with his sling and hit the Philistine in the forehead. The stone sank in, and Goliath stumbled and fell face down on the ground.

1 Samuel 17:48-49 (NLT)

¹ In the spring, at the time when kings go off to war, David sent Joab out with the king’s men and the whole Israelite army. They destroyed the Ammonites and besieged Rabbah. But David remained in Jerusalem. ² One evening David got up from his bed and walked around on the roof of the palace.

2 Samuel 11:1-2a (NIV11)

- With enthusiasm, David _____ into battle to serve his God.
- With apathy, David _____ on the roof to serve his comfort.

⁴ Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken the love you had at first. ⁵ Consider how far you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first.

Revelation 2:4-5a (NIV11)

¹⁰ Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me..... ¹² Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Psalms 51:10-12 (NIV11)

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters,

Colossians 3:23 (NIV11)

My Next Step Today Is To...

- Meditate on and/or memorize Colossians 3:23
- Commit to growing in enthusiasm by increasing my intimacy with God so that he can use me even more.
- Confess that I have allowed my life to be filled with apathy and I want to return to a life filled with enthusiasm.
- To receive Jesus as my Lord and Savior by asking him to forgive my sin and fill me with His presence.