

A few months prior to what happened in today's Scripture verse, the Philistines had come up the same valley, and when David inquired of the Lord as to what to do, the Lord said to attack them. When the Philistines came again after their first defeat, David could have assumed that he didn't need to ask God this time. But David realized that yesterday's information may not be appropriate for today's challenge. So, he inquired of the Lord again. It was the same enemy, the same valley, but this time God said: "I have a different strategy for you."

God's ways are so much higher than our ways. He doesn't want you to get hooked on a formula, but rather to be hooked on Him. He wants you to develop this habit of getting daily direction, asking: "God, how do You want me to respond to this problem? God, give me Your wisdom, Your ideas, Your favour." That is how God leads you down the best path for your life. You cannot respond to every problem the same way.

2 Samuel 5:23 "Again David asked the LORD what to do. "Do not attack them straight on", the LORD replied. "Instead, circle around behind and attack them near the poplar trees.""