

GALLIMAUFY INSTRUMENTS V

For who has despised the day of small things.

Zachariah 4:10

²⁷ But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty;

I Corinthians 1:27 (KJV)

* Gallimaufry – hodgepodge, collage, scramble, stew, jumble, mixed bag, muddle, mishmash, montage, patchwork, potpourri, mixture

I. Gallimaufry instrumentalities

A. Gallimaufry bread (I Samuel 21:6)

⁶ So the priest gave him the consecrated bread, since there was no bread there except the bread of the Presence that had been removed from before the LORD and replaced by hot bread on the day it was taken away.

B. A Gallimaufry sword - an old sword in new hands (I Samuel 21:8,9)

⁸ David asked Ahimelek, “Don’t you have a spear or a sword here? I haven’t brought my sword or any other weapon, because the king’s mission was urgent.” ⁹ The priest replied, “The sword of Goliath the Philistine, whom you killed in the Valley of Elah, is here; it is wrapped in a cloth behind the ephod. If you want it, take it; there is no

sword here but that one.” David said, “There is none like it; give it to me.”

C. A Gallimaufry journey (I Samuel 21:10)

¹⁰ That day David fled from Saul and went to Achish king of Gath.

D. A Gallimaufry instrument of worship - the gittith

1. The only stringed instrument mentioned in the titles of the psalms.
2. The Jewish Targum calls it “The harp David brought from Gath.”
3. Three amazing psalms were to be sung on the gittith (Psalm 8,81,84)
4. The gittith was a pagan instrument sanctified by God for celebrating fruitful vintages.

II. Gallimaufry small things / Nothing is too small or strange for God to use.

A. The staff of Moses (Exodus 4:2)

² Then the LORD said to him, “What is that in your hand?” “A staff,” he replied.

B. The jawbone of an ass (Judges 15:15)

¹⁵ Finding a fresh jawbone of a donkey, he grabbed it and struck down a thousand men.

C. Five smooth stones (I Samuel 17:40)

⁴⁰ Then he took his staff in his hand, chose five smooth stones from the stream, put them in the pouch of his

shepherd's bag and, with his sling in his hand, approached the Philistine.

D. A handful of flour and a little oil (I Kings 17:12)

¹² "As surely as the LORD your God lives," she replied, "I don't have any bread--only a handful of flour in a jar and a little olive oil in a jug. I am gathering a few sticks to take home and make a meal for myself and my son, that we may eat it--and die."

E. A cloud the size of a man's hand (I Kings 18:44)

⁴⁴ The seventh time the servant reported, "A cloud as small as a man's hand is rising from the sea." So Elijah said, "Go and tell Ahab, 'Hitch up your chariot and go down before the rain stops you.'"

F. The smallest seed the mustard seed (Matthew 13:32)

³² "Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches."

G. Haggai said that the temple, though smaller, would be greater. (Haggai 2:1-9)

H. To deliver Israel from Egypt, God sent baby Moses. (Exodus 2:1-10)

I. To guide Israel he sent the baby, Samuel. (I Samuel 1:20; 2:18; 2:26)

J. To save the world he sent the baby, Jesus. (Matthew 1:18-21)

- K. God delivered Gideon from the Midianites with 300 soldiers, who had only pitchers, torches, and ram's horns. (Judges 6:11-16; 7:1-7,16-22)
- L. He used Rahab's scarlet thread. (Joshua 2:3-7)