

This is no Place for a Hobbit!

I Timothy 1:12-15

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The siege towers connect with the walls, and Orcs enter the town. Gandalf sees Pippin coming down the stairs towards him.

Gandalf : *Peregrin Took, go back to the Citadel !*

Pippin : *They called us out to fight.*

Gandalf : *This is no place for a Hobbit !*

Taking advantage of Gandalf's distraction fighting the first wave of Orcs that attack the city, one creeps behind him, intending to kill the Wizard. Pippin rescues Gandalf and kills the Orc.

The Bible stage is populated with a large number of unlikely people performing in the glow of the spotlight. God has cast a large number of *castoffs* and ordinary sorts in starring roles for His drama of life. J. R. R. Tolkien, a man with deep religious convictions, no doubt had this in mind when he wrote the scene pictured above.. In fact, even in a battle with against overwhelming odds, there was a place for a Hobbit!

The God of Possible Impossibilities

- Matthew 19:24-26
- I Samuel 14:6-15
- Judges 7:1-8

An Unlikely Cast

- A centurion (Matt. 8:5-10)
- A Syrophenician woman (Mk. 7:24-30)
- A widow (Mk. 12:41-44)
- A tax collector (Lk. 18:9-14)
- The Apostles (Matt. 10:1-4)

Partnership with God

- Philippians 4:13
- Ephesians 3:20-21
- Psalm 15

God takes notice of those whose hearts are inclined toward Him. An unlikely cast of "characters" results. Out of place people find a place in the context of the Christ.