

David & Goliath #2

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Last Week:

1 Samuel 16-17 - David's story: Anointed by Samuel to be King over Judah

- Skillful on the harp mighty man of valor; (*courageous under pressure; even in the face of danger*); a man of war *(12-17 years old)
- The prophet said these things about David because God saw David from the position of his '*fulfilled*' destiny
- When God sees you, when He talks about you He doesn't talk about who you were:
- He doesn't see your sins, failures, your bad attitudes, your selfishness, your hidden stuff
- He talks about you from a position of you as a 'finished product', the end result; WHO you are supposed to be! Who He has created you to be!
- He has so much hope for you, that you'll become the person He has ordained and purposed you to be; that your life will take on the value He has placed on it; it's living out your God-given destiny
- He knows that the blood of Jesus is able to cleanse us from all unrighteousness - **1 John 1:7**
- **Hebrews 9:12-14** - *"Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?"*
- He's always pulling you in the direction of your destiny
- David desired relationship with the Father, therefore He got the best He had!
- You can have the same!
- **1 Samuel 13:14** - *"God has chosen a man after His own heart" ****

Lesson #1 - Only the Father Knows 'Who' You Are

- Samuel is writing; prophetically he saw the *'true'* character, nature and *'who' David was* through God's eyes before anyone else *(David's true self); his God-given identity
- Samuel saw it!!
- The things He says to you forms and shapes you into your true identity
- He doesn't push, He pulls you into your destiny
- What is God saying to you,.....about you?? *(*You need to know!*)
- *"I know the plans I have for you"* - - But, do YOU know them??
- The secrets of your life are sealed up in the heart of God
- He wants to reveal them to you.....but you gotta go to Him
- You won't become like Him if you don't hang around with Him a little bit!
- You'll learn His ways; you'll see His heart; you'll experience His love
- "And, it'll transform your life"
- *"If you don't know the Father, you'll never know 'who' you are!"* AT
- There's been a tragic case of 'identity theft' - Believers don't know 'who' they are! - - If the church is going to be the Church we must
- **Only the Father Knows 'Who' You Are - BUT THE GOOD NEWS IS.... He wants to reveal that to you!**

1 Samuel 16:6-7 - *"So it was, when they came, that he looked at Eliab and said, "Surely the Lord's anointed is before Him!" But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at his physical stature, because I have refused him. For the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."*

- Eliab - Oldest son. Samuel just knew he was the one - Nope
- God looks at the heart
- Eliab didn't receive that well! - - He was provoked to jealousy

Lesson #2 - Wisdom, logic, reason, experience and even common sense can't take the place of the Word/voice of God!

- Samuel had all those qualities; if he'd relied on those traits alone He would have monumentally missed God!
- A heart that's not willing to change....won't change
- You're in charge of your heart!
- His Spirit will reveal the Truth to you but it's up to you what to do with it

- He's God, but He won't make you do it
- **Proverbs 4:23** - *"Guard your heart, for out of it flow the issues of life!"*

Saul was 'God's Man' But His Pattern of Compromise Disqualified Him

- The sacrifice was supposed to happen after Samuel arrived
- He folded under the pressure of the people - It displeased God
- He would find and designate another king, after His own heart!

Lesson #3 - You Can Forfeit the Call and Plan of God Over Your Life

- If you're casual, careless, nonchalant, indifferent or complacent He'll find someone else to do the things He had planned for you!
- God has an incredible plan for your life but without faith and obedience it won't happen
- You cannot fulfill the plan of God for you if you're not relational with Him
- You won't even know what the plan is!

Saul's Distressing spirit

- **! Samuel 16:14** - *"But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the Lord troubled him" *(Qualify)*
- Demonic - a door opened when Saul was disobedient to God
- The stakes were too high - God couldn't trust Saul to carry out His plan
- Saul's sin: A pattern of disobedience
- David played on the harp (true worship from the heart!)

Lesson #4 - True Worship Destroys the Enemy's Attempts at Oppression

- 'When' you worship
- **Isaiah 61:3** - *"Put on the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness"*
- Not just a Sunday thing
- Anytime you honor God with your attitude, words, work, your life....
- It's mandatory, though, to worship from the heart - it must be genuine
- **Romans 12:1** - *"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service."*
- *True worship 'calibrates' the heart" AT*