

## David & Goliath #2

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### Monday:

The seven elements of our Trinity Fellowship spiritual DNA:

The Kingdom of God, Relationship with the Father, Grace, Family and Relationships,  
Equipping the Saints for the Work of the Ministry, Signs and Wonders and The Poor.

We taught on these seven subjects for 100 Sundays. If you were here during that time, congratulations, but what about the people who come after us? Who is going to communicate that to them? That would be YOU!

You know more about every one of those things than anybody you know. But the question is, what are you going to do with it? You need to be doers of the word, and not hearers only.

David was skillful on the harp, but was also a mighty man of valor, courageous under pressure, even in the face of danger. He was a man of war. These are the things that Samuel saw concerning David through the eyes of God.

Now, transfer that to you... when God looks at you and when He talks about you, because I think He talks about you a lot. When God sees you, He doesn't see your misfires and your failures. He sees who He's destined and purposed you to be.

So God has this 100% guarantee. He has hope for you that you'll become who He has designed and destined you to be, and He knows that the blood of Jesus is able to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

### Tuesday:

Hebrews 9:13-14 says, "*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.*"

Jesus went in behind the veil in the Most Holy Place one time, and His blood was sufficient enough to cleanse every person who comes along after that. Talk about grace!

We have a mindset that when we made the decision and received Jesus, that somehow, somewhere, our name is written down in the book of life. That's not how it works. Your name was written down in the book of life before you ever even thought about making a decision.

God is not willing that anybody should perish. He already destined you to be part of His family. All you have to do is be obedient as the Spirit of God deals with you and brings you to that place in your life.

Your destination is heaven, but your destiny is the people, events and things that you come across in the course of your life, and it always includes people. Your inheritance is the people who come across your path or into your life. Those the things that make your life rich. So these relationships may be more important than you realize they are.

### **Wednesday:**

What is it to have a man or woman after God's own heart?

- • Desire and Commitment for Relationship:  
Determined to arrive at truth.
- • Hungry for God's Word:
  - ◦ David listened for it. He meditated on it, day and night. He wrote about it. He sang about it. God is always speaking to us, whether we are aware of it or not.
  - ◦ You should make it a priority to hear Him, because the things that God says to you form you and shape you into who you're supposed to be.
- • Submitting to the Father in all areas of your life.
- • David stayed faithful, even after 15 years of taking care of the sheep.  
He didn't waver in
  - • God's plan for his life.
  - • No agenda of your own:
    - • The agenda that we should follow is God's agenda, not our own.
  - • Be a true lover:
    - • You can't have a heart after God if you don't learn how to love.
  - • Be a forgiver:
    - • Forgiveness is one of the most powerful spiritual things you have.Forgiveness is not a
  - • feeling you have, it a decision that you make.
  - • Caring about others:
    - ◦ Caring for others often above yourself, and displaying it in your daily life. If you are going to have a heart for God, you have to be serious about His business.
  - • Willing and eager to take responsibility when circumstances require it.
  - • If you are going to have a heart for God, you have to be serious about His business.
  - • Be quick to repent:
    - • David always returned to God.
  - • Be a worshiper:
    - • Out of the whole Bible, David was know as a true worshiper. For 40 years, David wrote songs and many of the Psalms on top of Mount Zion, when the Ark of the Covenant was out in the open for the first time ever.

### **Thursday:**

To have a heart for God, you have to have your priorities right. God's spirit is alive right now, in you, to produce that in your life. What you are going through is part of the process of Him

developing and nurturing a heart in you.

### **Lesson #1 – Only the Father Knows Who You Are.**

The things you need to know are the things that God says to you, to form you and shape you into your true identity. Make it a priority to listen to what it is that God is saying.

What is God saying to you, about you? That's the thing you need to know. Jeremiah 29:11 says, *"For I know the plans I have for you", says the Lord, "plans of good and not evil, plans of a future and a hope."*

Do you know the plans that God has for you? There's only one way to get those plans. The secrets of your life are sealed up in the heart of God. You're not going to get those plans if you aren't hanging around with Him a little bit.

If you don't know the Father, or are not in a process of knowing Him (one on one relationship with Him), you'll never know who you are. You'll be operating out of a false identity your whole life. But the good news is, He's dying to reveal that to you. You just have to let Him do that.

*"For man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."* It's all about the heart. Even David's father, Jesse, didn't think that David could possibly be the one, because he was just a kid.

### **Friday:**

### **Lesson #2 – Wisdom, logic, reason, experience and even common sense can't take the place of the Word or the Voice of God.**

If you're going to hear what God is saying, you have to have some time with Him. Samuel had all those qualities, but if he had relied on those traits alone, he would have monumentally missed God, as far as David is concerned.

You can go to Bible studies and services on Sunday, but if you don't allow your heart to change, it'll never change. You're the one in charge of your heart. God won't make you do anything. You have to decide on your own to do that.

Saul was God's man. He was God's hand-picked man to lead the people, but his pattern of compromise disqualified him. The last straw was when Saul was supposed to do a sacrifice, but only when the prophet Samuel got there. But he ended up doing the sacrifice without Samuel present. He folded under the pressure of the people, which displeased God.

### **Lesson #3 – You can forfeit the call and plan of God over your life.**

Some people would argue, *"Well, you know, you have a call, Andy, but I don't have a call on my life."* You should have been here when we taught those 14 weeks for the equipping of the saints for the work of the ministry.

You are called into the work of the ministry, and you need to get out of your head all the things you think about when you think about ministry and coming up here and leading. You just need to

forget all those things.

Ministry is just being able to tell someone else what you believe God's doing in your life, what God has done and is doing for you. That's ministry!

If you are casual, careless, nonchalant, indifferent or complacent, God's liable to find someone else to do what He's called you to do. This is serious! It scares me to think where my life might have been if I had not said, "YES", to the Lord on November 17<sup>th</sup>, 1984, with everything wrong in my life.

### **Saturday:**

God has an incredible plan for your life, but without faith and obedience, it won't happen. You can't fulfill the plan of God that He has for you if you're not relational with Him. If you aren't relational with Him, you won't even know what the plan is.

1 Samuel 16:14 say, "*But the Spirit of the Lord departed from Saul, and a distressing spirit from the Lord troubled him.*" If you continually skirt the edges of right and wrong, if you continually compromise, then God will turn you over to that.

He'll let you be a compromiser. You look over in the Old Testament where it says God hardened Pharaoh's heart. All God did was turn Pharaoh's heart over to what Pharaoh kept practicing and kept doing, even after being confronted with God by God.

Anytime you open the door for the enemy, he's coming in. Rarely does he just bring one thing. Most of the time, he brings a lot of stuff, as much of it as you will take. So the door opened when Saul was disobedient to God.

Because of Saul's distressing spirit, David would play the harp and that spirit would leave Saul. It wasn't the sound of the harp, it was the heart of David, a true worshiper, that caused the distressing spirit to leave.

### **Lesson #4 – True Worship Destroys the Enemy's Attempts at Oppression.**

It says in Isaiah 61:3 that if you have a heavy spirit on you, start praising and worshipping. Anytime you say, "*Jesus, I love you,*" that's worship. Anytime you honor God with your attitude, your words, your work, your life, it's worship.

Romans 12:1 says, "*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 (of worship).*"

If you want to really bless God, give your heart and yourself to Him. True worship calibrates your heart. True worship gets your heart in the right place. It's extremely important.

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