

DAVID: THE PROPHET, THE MEDIATOR AND THE KING

David's Life Reveals Characteristics Of The Royal Priesthood

A. David Was A Prophet, A Mediator And A King:

1. A prophet declares God's message and reveals God's heart unto men.
2. A mediator (like a priest) ministers to the Lord and intercedes in men's behalf.
3. A king governs and rules in God's behalf.

B. Facts About David:

1. He is a type of the Lord Jesus Christ, a "son" of David; Matthew 1:1
2. Prayer and worship are a way of life for him. He was ever "before the Lord"; 2 Samuel 2:1; 5:3; 6:14,21; 7:18; 12:16; 22:1; 24:17
3. He was the 8th son (speaks of a new day, a new order) of Jesse; 1 Samuel 16:10-11.
4. He loved the sheep; 1 Samuel 16:11; John 10:1-28
5. He reveals five results of the one who praises the Lord as a lifestyle; 1 Samuel 16:18:
 - a. he was a mighty, valiant man (brave and courageous)
 - b. he was "prudent in matters" (of speech and conduct)
 - c. he was a man of "war" (successful in spiritual warfare)
 - d. he was a "comely" person (attractive "countenance" revealed God's presence)
 - e. he was anointed (the Lord was with him)
6. He desired to remove the "reproach" that was upon God's people; 1 Samuel 17:26.
7. He was a warrior from his youth, and victorious in battle; 1 Sam. 17:32-37; 18:7.
8. He prevailed over Goliath with a sling and a "stone"; 1 Samuel 17:49-51.
9. He refused to use Saul's armor, demonstrating that God's victories aren't achieved by men's methods or equipment; 1 Samuel 17:39-40; 1 Corinthians 1:27.
10. Threats against him brought glory to God; his enemies feared him; 1 Sam. 18:25-30.
11. He was persecuted; 1 Samuel 18:10-11; Matthew 5:10-12.
12. He was humble and trusting; 1 Samuel 18:18; 1 Peter 5:5.
13. He was found in the "secret place"; 1 Samuel 19:2; Psalm 91.
14. He ordered the "Restoration of his Wife"; 2 Samuel 3:14
15. He was not found at "Saul's table"; 1 Samuel 20:25; Psalm 23
16. He took the "crown" from the enemy; 2 Samuel 12:30; Rev. 3:11
17. He restored Jonathan's son, Mephibosheth, a fugitive who became a cripple "through a fall". He was brought to David and was seated at his table; 2 Sam. 4:4; 9:1-13; Rom. 5:6
18. He ate the "showbread" (a revelation of Jesus' Body); 1 Samuel 21:1-6; Lk. 22:19
19. He stopped the plague on the people; 2 Samuel 24:21; John 3:14-17
20. He was betrayed by those whom he delivered; 1 Samuel 23:7-12; Matthew 10:17-23
21. He fled to the wilderness; 1 Samuel 23:15; Matthew 4; Luke 4
22. He spared Saul, not seeking to vindicate himself; 1 Samuel 24:1-15; 26:1-5
23. He destroyed the Amalekites (the flesh); 1 Samuel 30:17; Romans 8:13
24. He delivered Ziklag, and recovered all that was carried away; 1 Samuel 30:18-26
25. He honored God's presence and prepared a "tent" for the Ark; 2 Sam. 7:1-6; 1 Ch. 16:1

C. David Was Anointed On Three Separate Occasions:

1. 1 Samuel 16:13 – with this anointing he killed a bear, a lion and a giant
2. 2 Samuel 2:4 – with this anointing Judah (praise) made him king at Hebron (fellowship)
3. 2 Samuel 5:3 – with this anointing ALL OF ISRAEL crowned him king at age 30

David And His Mighty Men Of Valor: Those Who Will Rule With The King

A David And His Companions Were In The Wilderness, the place where kings and “mighty men” are prepared for their destiny; Genesis 37:22; Exodus 2:15; Deuteronomy 32:10:1; Samuel 16:11; 1 Kings 19:4-7; Matthew 3:3; 4:1

B. David And His Company Of Outcasts (who became his mighty men):

1. They have gone OUTSIDE THE CAMP of the old religious order, enduring reproach and hostility from Saul (who pursues them); 1 Samuel 22:1-2; 23:14; Hebrews 13:13
2. They suffer PERSECUTION and ENDURE ISOLATION because they want the reality of the Holy Spirit’s anointing, not the mechanics of Saul’s man-made system; 1 Samuel 22:1-2
3. They find refuge in “the hold”, a place of restraint, training and discipline, the principle of being the PRISONER of the Lord; 1 Sam. 19:2; Eph. 4:1; Acts 28:20
4. These possess a STRONG SPIRITUAL LIFE, whose personal devotion and commitment is to the king (Jesus) and to divine destiny, as it relates to the throne of the king. They are courageous, bold and strong in the Lord; Ephesians 6:10.
5. Their loyalty to the king has given them a vision of a COMING KINGDOM GLORY; they see the greater picture: a universal dominion of righteousness; Ephesians 2:7.
6. They SEPARATE THEMSELVES from the rest of “Israel”, to minister to the personal needs of the king, as well as the “matter of warfare” with spiritual forces:
 - a. it demands that they “sever” other allegiances, abandon their own personal interests, blessings, and present comfort level
 - b. their devotion for their king causes them to risk their own lives; 2 Samuel 23:14-17
 - c. they understand the cost of personal SACRIFICE; Luke 14:28.
7. These men also become GIANT KILLERS:
 - a. even though the chief giant “Goliath” has been beheaded by David, he has left some of his offspring in the earth; 2 Sam. 21:18-22.
 - b. these men are brought to David to meet and defeat the “residue” of the giant
 - c. these remaining giants shall be dealt with by A COMPANY OF OVERCOMERS, even as the giant (satan) was defeated by One (Jesus Christ); Ephesians 6:10-12
8. David’s companions portray those who shall receive an INHERITANCE from the king, and SHALL RULE with him in his kingdom; 1 Samuel 30:26-31; 2 Timothy 2:12:
 - a. humiliation precedes exaltation; 1 Peter 5:6
 - b. the distribution of David’s spoils speaks of the sharing in the inheritance of Jesus with those who lay down their own lives, who share in His sufferings

C. The Tabernacle Of David:

1. This was a tent in which David placed the Ark of the Covenant, and instituted a new order of worship and ministry; Amos 9:11; Acts 15:15-17; 1 Chron. 13-16; 2 Chron. 5:2.
2. It speaks of the overcomers in the church; the “high calling” (heights of Zion); 2 Samuel 5:7
3. It speaks of a people of free and unrestrained “worship”; this is true worship in spirit and in truth; John 4:23-24
4. It speaks of a people who are a “warrior first fruits” unto God.
5. It speaks of a people who minister to the king (Jesus), not just the people.

