

“A God Encounter”

Part 2

Worship is a Warrior

1 Samuel 16 NKJV

11 And Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all the young men here?” Then he said, “There remains yet the youngest, and there he is, keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him. For we will not sit down till he comes here.” 12 So he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, with bright eyes, and good-looking. And the Lord said, “Arise, anoint him; for this *is* the one!” 13 **Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him** in the midst of his brothers; **and the Spirit of the Lord came upon David** from that day forward. So Samuel arose and went to Ramah.

14 But the Spirit of the Lord departed from Saul, and a distressing spirit from the Lord troubled him. 15 And Saul’s servants said to him, “Surely, a distressing spirit from God is troubling you. 16 Let our master now command your servants, *who are* before you, to seek out a man *who is* a skillful player on the harp. And it shall be that he will play it with his hand when the distressing spirit from God is upon you, and you shall be well.” 17 So Saul said to his servants, “Provide me now a man who can play well, and bring *him* to me.” 18 Then one of the servants answered and said, “Look, I have seen a son of Jesse the Bethlehemite, *who is* skillful in playing, a mighty man of valor, a man of war, prudent in speech, and a handsome person; and the Lord *is* with him.”

23 And so it was, whenever the (distressing) spirit from God was upon Saul, that David would take a harp and play *it* with his hand. Then Saul would become refreshed and well, and the distressing spirit would depart from him.

David was a Worshipper before he was a Warrior

In Chapter 16 David is an Anointed Worshipper

In Chapter 17 David is a Victorious Warrior over Goliath

Psalm 9

1

I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart;
I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

2

I will be glad and rejoice in you;
I will sing the praises of your name, O Most High.

3

My enemies turn back;
they stumble and perish before you.

4

For you have upheld my right and my cause,
sitting enthroned as the righteous judge.

- David was a Worshipper before he was a Warrior...
- As David Worshipped God with his heart God did something with his Hands...
- God Gifted David's Hands to fight...
- He was fortified by the Almighty to fight the things that fight God...
- David as a Worshipper became a deliverer...

Psalm 18

31

For who is God besides the Lord?
And who is the Rock except our God?

32

It is God who arms me with strength
and keeps my way secure.

33

He makes my feet like the feet of a deer;
he causes me to stand on the heights.

34

He trains my hands for battle;
my arms can bend a bow of bronze.

35

You make your saving help my shield,
and your right hand sustains me;

Psalm 144:1

1

Praise be to the Lord my Rock,
who trains my hands for war,
my fingers for battle.

- Worship brings the Presence of God...
- The Presence of God takes us into the Dimension of God!
- Worship takes us past what we can do and into what God can do...

Numbers 10

35 Whenever the ark set out, Moses said,

“Rise up, Lord!

May your enemies be scattered;
may your foes flee before you.”

Psalm 68

1

May God arise, may his enemies be scattered;
may his foes flee before him.

2

May you blow them away like smoke—
as wax melts before the fire,
may the wicked perish before God.

3

But may the righteous be glad
and rejoice before God;
may they be happy and joyful.

Worship is a Warrior!!!

May God arise, may his enemies be scattered;

- For Moses, the enemy tried to hinder Israel from coming into the Promise Land...
- For David, the enemy tried to hinder Israel once they were in the Promise Land...

The enemy is always busy at the work of hindering
The enemy wants to hinder the work of God...
The enemy wants to hinder the our obedience to Christ...
The enemy wants to hinder the Revelation of Christ...
David said May God Arise... May his enemies be scattered...

All we really need is this
God Arise...

1 Samuel 30

Now it happened, when David and his men came to Ziklag, on the third day, that the Amalekites had invaded the South and Ziklag, attacked Ziklag and burned it with fire, ² and had taken captive the women and those who *were* there, from small to great; they did not kill anyone, but carried *them* away and went their way.

³ So David and his men came to the city, and there it was, burned with fire; and their wives, their sons, and their daughters had been taken captive.

⁴ Then David and the people who *were* with him lifted up their voices and wept, **until they had no more power to weep.** ⁵ And David's two wives, Ahinoam, and Abigail, had been taken captive.

⁶ Now **David was greatly distressed**, for the people spoke of stoning him, because the **soul of all the people was grieved**, every man for his sons and his daughters. **But David strengthened himself in the Lord his God.**

⁷ Then David said to Abiathar the priest, "Please bring the ephod here to me." And Abiathar brought the ephod to David. ⁸ So David inquired of the Lord, saying, "Shall I pursue this troop? Shall I overtake them?"

And He answered him, "Pursue, for you shall surely overtake *them* and without fail recover *all*."

David strengthened himself in the Lord his God

David was greatly distressed...
Everyone was ready to kill David and quit...

David in that moment turned to God...
David asked for the ephod...

The Ephod was the Priestly robe of Aaron. (Exodus 28)

The Ephod spoke of Consecration.

The Ephod was the robe the priest were instructed by God to wear when they ministered to the Lord.

When you desperately need God to minister to you,
That is precisely the time you need to minister to the lord...

We use to sing an old song:

“Come into the Holy of Holies
Enter by the Blood of the Lamb
Come into His presence with singing
Worship at the Throne of God
Lifting Holy Hands to the King of Kings
Worship Jesus”

Did you know we are a Royal Priesthood...

We are Called to Minister to the Lord...

Here's the Secret; When you think it's all about you, it's not...

It's Still about the Lord!

What you and I need is a GOD ENCOUNTER

Arise O, Lord... And Let your Enemies be Scattered...

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David needed an Encounter with God

It was an encounter with God that got him started...

It was going to take an Encounter with God to get him through this...

As David Worshipped God, God Strengthened Him

To GO

To Fight

To Take Back

David strengthened himself in the Lord...

David was weak...

God made him Strong...

The Lord Gifted David...

Your Gifting will Summon Calling

17 Then David attacked them from twilight until the evening of the next day. Not a man of them escaped, except four hundred young men who rode on camels and fled. 18 So David recovered all that the Amalekites had carried away, and David rescued his two wives. 19 And nothing of theirs was lacking, either small or great, sons or daughters, spoil or anything which they had taken from them; David recovered all.

3 Chapters later David is crowned King of Judah

- The Anointing draws the Spirit...
- The Spirit draws out your Worship...
- Your Worship draws out your Gifting...
- The Gifting draws out the Calling...