A Heart on Fire Part 4 "David"

1 Samuel 13 NIV

The Lord rejects Saul

13 "You have done a foolish thing," Samuel said. "You have not kept the command the Lord your God gave you; if you had, he would have established your kingdom over Israel for all time. **14** But now your kingdom will not endure; <u>the Lord has sought out a man after his own heart</u> and appointed him ruler of his people, because you have not kept the Lord's command."

1 Samuel 16 NIV

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king."

4 Samuel did what the Lord said. When he arrived at Bethlehem, the elders of the town trembled when they met him. They asked, "Do you come in peace?"

5 Samuel replied, "Yes, in peace; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord. Consecrate yourselves and come to the sacrifice with me." Then he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

6 When they arrived, Samuel saw Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed stands here before the Lord."

7 But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. <u>The Lord does not look at the things people look at</u>. <u>People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.</u>"

8 Then Jesse called Abinadab and had him pass in front of Samuel. But Samuel said, "The Lord has not chosen this one either." **9** Jesse then had Shammah pass by, but Samuel said, "Nor has the Lord chosen this one." **10** Jesse had seven of his sons pass before Samuel, but Samuel said to him, "The Lord has not chosen these." **11** So he asked Jesse, "Are these all the sons you have?"

"There is still the youngest," Jesse answered. "He is tending the sheep."

Samuel said, "Send for him; we will not sit down until he arrives."

12 So he sent for him and had him brought in. He was glowing with health and had a fine appearance and handsome features.

Then the Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; this is the one."

13 So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on <u>the Spirit of the Lord came</u> <u>powerfully upon David.</u>

1. David was a man after God's own heart

The Apostle Paul says of David Acts 13:22 NKJV

And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also he gave their testimony, and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, **a man after mine own heart**, **who will do all my will.**

Two things about David:

1. God says David is a man after God's heart...

- Not because of what God give Him...
- Not because of what God did for Him...
- David wasn't after God's hand, He was after God's heart...
- David was a man after God's affection...
- He Loved God and wanted to be loved by God...
- A Man after God's own heart...

When we think of Heaven: Often we think of streets of God... Gates of Pearl... A Sea of Glass... And Mansions for everyone... All that is great but the thing that excites me about Heaven is, the

presence of the Lord...

David desired God more than a Kingdom...

2. who will do all my will...

Notice what Samuel says in our original text **1 Samuel 13**

14 But now your kingdom will not endure; <u>the Lord has sought out a</u> <u>man after his own heart</u> and appointed him ruler of his people, **because you have not kept the Lord's command.**"

This is interesting and tells us a lot Saul wanted to please people... David wanted to please the Lord... Saul was disobedient to God... David was obedient to God...

<mark>John 14:15</mark>

"If you love me, keep my commands.

1 John 2:4

Whoever says, "I know him," but does not do what he commands is a **liar**, and the truth is not in that person.

2. The Lord looks at the heart

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God is not moved by what's on the outside, God is moved by what he sees on the inside...

When I think of David there is one thing that comes to mind: **Heart** What got him to the top was the thing that kept him there...

David was a Worshipper... That takes **Heart** David was a Warrior... That takes **Heart** When David sinned and broke God's Heart - He didn't become proud, He didn't resist God, He didn't resist the Nathan the Man of God - He became sorrowful, He repented of his sins... That takes **Heart**

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3. The Spirit of God was on David

1 Samuel 16

13 So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the Lord came powerfully upon David.

There is nothing like the presence of God... There is nothing like the Anointing of the Holy Spirit... Nothing can compare to experiencing the power of the Holy Spirit... Everything else in this world pales in comparison...

David cherished and protected the Anointing of God

1 Samuel 26

7 So David and Abishai went to the army by night, and there was Saul, lying asleep inside the camp with his spear stuck in the ground near his head. Abner and the soldiers were lying around him.

8 Abishai said to David, "Today God has delivered your enemy into your hands. Now let me pin him to the ground with one thrust of the spear; I won't strike him twice."

But David said to Abishai, "Do not destroy him, for who can stretch out his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt?"

Psalm 105:15

"Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm."

I don't know of anyone in the Bible who loved and cherished anointing of God's Spirit more than David...

Vs. 13 says and from that day on the Spirit of the Lord came powerfully upon David.

From that day on... David experienced the Power of the Spirit David experienced the Strength of the Holy Spirit David experienced the Refreshing of the Holy Spirit

David was ruined for anything less... There is nothing like the presence of God...

Song: "Nothing Else" *I'm caught up in Your presence I just want to sit here at Your feet I'm caught up in this holy moment I never wanna leave*

Oh, I'm not here for blessings Jesus, You don't owe me anything More than anything that You can do I just want You

For the Spirit Filled believer:

There is a sixth sense - a sense for Gods presence

- There is a satisfaction in him that's greater than anything in this world
- A desire for the oil of the Holy Spirit, more than anything else...
- To feel his presence and power...
- To delight in his presence...

David's Heart yearned for more of God

Psalm 42

As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God.

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My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God?

David cherished and regarded the anointing...

Closing Song:

It's the reward of the Spirit that keeps you going...

It's not material things...

It's not the approval or praise of man...

It's God himself, his presence, his joy, his presence and touch that keeps you burning and moving and sustained.