

2 Samuel 1

1 Chronicles 10:13 (Read) So Saul died for his trespass which he committed against the LORD, because of the word of the LORD which he did not keep; and also because he asked counsel of a medium, making inquiry of it, ¹⁴and did not inquire of the LORD. **Therefore He killed him** and turned the kingdom to David the son of Jesse.

- Did not kill all Amalekites, consulted a witch instead of God
- God took Saul out

1 Chronicles 11:1 (Read) Then **all Israel gathered to David** at Hebron and said, "Behold, we are your bone and your flesh. ²"In times past, even when Saul was king, you were the one who led out and brought in Israel; and the LORD your God said to you, '**You shall shepherd My people Israel**, and you shall be prince over My people Israel.'" ³So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and David made a covenant with them in Hebron before the LORD; and **they anointed David king over Israel, according to the word of the LORD through Samuel.**

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¹Now it came about after the death of Saul, when David had returned from the slaughter of the Amalekites, that David remained two days in **Ziklag**.

- After fighting Amalekites, David comes home to **Ziklag**

²On the third day, behold, a man came out of the camp from Saul, with his **clothes torn and dust on his head** And it came about when he came to David that he fell to the ground and prostrated himself. ³Then David said to him, "From where do you come?" And he said to him, "I have escaped from the camp of Israel." ⁴David said to him, "**How did things go? Please tell me.**" And he said, "**The people have fled from the battle, and also many of the people have fallen and are dead; and Saul and Jonathan his son are dead** also."

- Mystery man in mourning comes from the battlefield

- **Israel defeated:** Many flee are wounded or dead
- King Saul and Jonathan are dead

5So David said to the young man who told him, "**How do you know that Saul and his son Jonathan are dead?**" 6The young man who told him said, "**By chance** I happened to be on Mount Gilboa, and behold, Saul was leaning on his spear. And behold, the chariots and the horsemen pursued him closely. 7"When he **looked behind him**, he saw me and called to me. And I said, '**Here I am.**' 8"He said to me, 'Who are you?' And I answered him, '**I am an Amalekite.**' 9"Then he said to me, 'Please stand beside me and kill me, for agony has seized me because my life still lingers in me.' 10"So I stood beside him and killed him, because I knew that he could not live after he had fallen And **I took the crown** which was on his head **and the bracelet** which was on his arm, and I have brought them here to my lord."

- **Question:** By chance at the battlefield?
- Not an Israelite nor a Philistine but an **Amalekite!**
- **Amalekite:** Flesh exalted or "Look what I did!" (religion)

11Then David took hold of his clothes and tore them, and so also did all the men who were with him. 12They mourned and wept and fasted until evening for Saul and his son Jonathan **and for the people of the LORD and the house of Israel**, because they had fallen by the sword.

- David influenced his men to love their enemy

Proverbs 13:20 He who walks with wise men will be wise, But the companion of fools will suffer harm.

Acts 4: 13 Now as they observed the confidence of Peter and John and understood that they were **uneducated and untrained men**, they were amazed, and began to recognize **them as having been with Jesus.**

- How do we influence those around us?

13David said to the young man who told him, "Where are you from?" And he answered, "I am the son of an alien, an **Amalekite.**" 14Then David said to him, "How is it you were not afraid to stretch out your hand to destroy the LORD'S anointed?"

- Show people just how “good” we are **Isaiah 64:6** For all of us have become like one who is unclean, And **all** our righteous deeds are like a filthy garment;
- Our righteousness is in Christ, not the “good” things we do
- If we could be righteous without Christ...He died for nothing

Galatians 2:21 ...for if righteousness comes through the Law, then Christ died needlessly."

- Jesus spoke a parable about self-righteousness

Matthew 22:9 (Read) 'Go therefore to the main highways, and as many as you find there, invite to the wedding feast.' 10"Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered together all they found, both evil and good; and the wedding hall was filled with dinner guests. 11"But when the king came in to look over the dinner guests, he saw a man there who was **not dressed in wedding clothes**, 12and he said to him, ' Friend, how did you come in here without wedding clothes?' And the man was speechless. 13"Then the king said to the servants, '**Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.**'

- We must come to God on His terms...I Am the Way...
- The wedding garments are **provided by the King Himself**
- We cannot come dressed in good deeds; filthy garments
- The Amalekite (exalted flesh) tried to impress David as religion tries to impress God

15And David called one of the young men and said, "Go, cut him down." So he struck him and he died. 16David said to him, "**Your blood is on your head**, for your mouth has testified against you, saying, 'I have killed the LORD'S anointed.'"

- Religion leaves us unforgiven and with “blood on our heads”

1 Corinthians 13:4 (Read) Love is patient, love is kind and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant, 5 does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, **does not take into account a wrong suffered**, 6 does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; 7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 8Love never

fails;

- Saul was the did the opposite towards David
- David was wronged by Saul over and over, 70 times seven:
- Turn to 1 Samuel
- Did David's love for Saul start here (amour)?
- After David killed Goliath Saul became **jealous**

1 Samuel 18: 6 (Read Various) It happened as they were coming, when David returned from killing the Philistine, that the women came out of all the cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet King Saul, with tambourines, with joy and with musical instruments. 7The women sang as they played, and said, "Saul has slain his thousands, And David his ten thousands." 8Then Saul became very angry, for this saying displeased him; and he said, "They have ascribed to David ten thousands, but to me they have ascribed thousands. Now what more can he have but the kingdom?" 9 **Saul looked at David with suspicion from that day on.**

- How do we react towards those jealous of us?
- Saul was a **continual enemy** of David

18:28 When Saul saw and knew that the LORD was with David, and that Michal, Saul's daughter, loved him, 29 then Saul was even more afraid of David. Thus Saul was **David's enemy continually.**

- How do we react with those looking for us to fail?
- **Attempted murder:** Put out a "hit" (Those angry towards us)

19:10 Saul **tried to pin David to the wall** with the spear, but he slipped away out of Saul's presence, so that he stuck the spear into the wall. And David fled and escaped that night. 11Then Saul sent messengers to David's house to watch him, **in order to put him to death** in the morning.

- How do we react to those angry at us without reason?
- **Slander:** talking smack (Those who talk about us)

23:19 Then Ziphites came up to Saul at Gibeah, saying, "Is David not hiding with us in the strongholds at Horesh, on the hill of Hachilah,

which is on the south of Jeshimon? 20"Now then, O king, come down according to all the desire of your soul to do so; and our part shall be to surrender him into the king's hand." 21Saul said, "May you be blessed of the LORD, for you have had compassion on me. 22"Go now, make more sure, and investigate and see his place where his haunt is, and who has seen him there; for **I am told that he is very cunning.**

- How do we react when someone lies about us?
- David has a Godly reaction
- **Love keeps no record of wrongs**
- David shows love, sorrow and respect to one who wronged him
- David does not disrespect Saul even after Saul's death

17Then David chanted with this lament over Saul and Jonathan his son, 18 and he told them to **teach the sons of Judah the song** of the bow; behold, it is written in the book of Jashar. 19"Your **beauty**, O Israel, is slain on your high places! How have the **mighty fallen!** 20"Tell it not in Gath, Proclaim it not in the streets of Ashkelon, Or the daughters of the **Philistines will rejoice**, The daughters of the uncircumcised will exult.

- **Beautiful and Mighty:** I really don't like the man...I must get to know him better (Lincoln?)
- Philistines will rejoice: **911**

21"O mountains of Gilboa, Let not dew or rain be on you, nor fields of offerings; For there the shield of the mighty was defiled, The shield of Saul, **not anointed with oil.**

- Shield not anointed: God's Spirit departed

1 Samuel 16:14 Now the Spirit of the LORD **departed from Saul**, and an evil spirit from the LORD terrorized him.

- Spirit "**came upon**" but did not indwell (John the Baptist)

Psalm 51:11 Do not cast me away from Your presence And **do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.**

- Today believers are **indwelt** by God's Spirit

1 Corinthians 3: 16 Do you not know that you are a temple of God

and that the **Spirit of God dwells in you?**

22"From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, **The bow of Jonathan** did not turn back, And the **sword of Saul** did not return empty.

- Saul and Jonathan acted valiantly

1 Samuel 14:47 Now when Saul had taken the kingdom over Israel, he fought against all his **enemies on every side**, against Moab, the sons of Ammon, Edom, the kings of Zobah, and the Philistines; and wherever he turned, he inflicted punishment. **48He acted valiantly and defeated the Amalekites, and delivered Israel from the hands of those who plundered them.**

23"Saul and Jonathan, beloved and pleasant in their life, And in their death they were not parted; They were **swifter than eagles**, They were **stronger than lions**. 24"O daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, Who clothed you luxuriously in scarlet, Who put ornaments of gold on your apparel. 25"How have the **mighty** fallen in the midst of the battle! Jonathan is slain on your high places.

- **Remember the good**, keeping no record of the bad
- Becoming emotional, David remembers Jonathan

26"**I am distressed for you, my brother Jonathan**; You have been very pleasant to me. Your love to me was more wonderful Than the love of women. 27"How have the mighty fallen, And the weapons of war perished!"

- Jesus wept...death is unnatural
- Love relationship as we should have with God

1 Samuel 18:1(Read) Now it came about when he had finished speaking to Saul, that the **soul of Jonathan was knit to the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as himself.**

1 Samuel 18: 4 (Read) Jonathan stripped himself of the **robe** that was on him and gave it to David, with **his armor**, including his **sword and his bow and his belt.**

- David will now take the Throne of Israel