

# THE LIFE OF DAVID



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**7** And the women sang to one another as they celebrated, "Saul has struck down his thousands, and David his ten thousands." **8** And Saul was very angry, and this saying displeased him. He said, "They have ascribed to David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed thousands, and what more can he have but the kingdom?"

**1 SAMUEL 18:6-16**



**9** And Saul eyed David from that day on. **10** The next day a harmful spirit from God rushed upon Saul, and he raved within his house while David was playing the lyre, as he did day by day. Saul had his spear in his hand. **11** And Saul hurled the spear, for he thought, "I will pin David to the wall." But David evaded him twice. **12** Saul was afraid of David because the Lord was with him but had departed from Saul. **13** So Saul removed him from his presence and made him a commander of a thousand. And he went out and came in before the people.

**1 SAMUEL 18:6-16** (cont.)



**14** And David had success in all his undertakings, for the Lord was with him. **15** And when Saul saw that he had great success, he stood in fearful awe of him. **16** But all Israel and Judah loved David, for he went out and came in before them.

**1 SAMUEL 18:6-16** (cont.)



# THE RUIN OF ENVY & JEALOUSY

DAVID & SAUL

1 Samuel 18:6-16





# THE SETTING OF ENVY & JEALOUSY



**5** And David went out and was successful wherever Saul sent him, so that Saul set him over the men of war. And this was good in the sight of all the people and also in the sight of Saul's servants.

**1 SAMUEL 18:5**





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**1 SAMUEL 18:7**





# THE TRAJECTORY OF ENVY & JEALOUSY



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**1 SAMUEL 18:8-9**



*“But the tendency of this passion is the same in all; it produces in all a permanent aversion to the person, so that the very sight of him is painful, and occasions a desire, if possible, to bring him down to a level with ourselves.”*

**CHARLES SIMEON**



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**1 SAMUEL 18:10-11**



**13** Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am being tempted by God,” for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. **14** But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire.

**JAMES 1:13-14**





**23** Have I any pleasure in the death of the wicked, declares the Lord God, and not rather that he should turn from his way and live?

**EZEKIEL 18:23**





**4** Or do you presume on the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance? **5** But because of your hard and impenitent heart you are storing up wrath for yourself on the day of wrath when God's righteous judgment will be revealed.

**ROMANS 2:4**



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**1 SAMUEL 18:10-11**



*“Jealousy is the rage of a man.”*

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**30** A tranquil heart gives life to the flesh, but envy makes the bones rot.

**PROVERBS 14:30**



**45** “The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.”

**LUKE 6:45**







**10** Bloodthirsty men hate one who is blameless and seek the life of the upright.

**PROVERBS 29:10**



**12** Saul was afraid of David because the Lord was with him but had departed from Saul. **13** So Saul removed him from his presence and made him a commander of a thousand. And he went out and came in before the people. **14** And David had success in all his undertakings, for the Lord was with him. **15** And when Saul saw that he had great success, he stood in fearful awe of him. **16** But all Israel and Judah loved David, for he went out and came in before them.

# **1 SAMUEL 18:12-16**





*“Men think the way to be feared is to hector and threaten, which makes them feared by fools only, but despised by the wise and good; whereas the way to be both feared and loved, feared by those we wish to be a terror and loved by those to whom we wish to be a delight, is to behave ourselves wisely.”*

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# THE CURE FOR ENVY & JEALOUSY



**19** Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, **20** idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, **21** envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. **22** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **23** gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. **24** And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

# **GALATIANS 5:19-26**



**25** If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.

**26** Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

**GALATIANS 5:19-26** (cont.)







**3** Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. **4** Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. **5** Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, **6** who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, **7** but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. **8** And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

# PHILIPPIANS 2:3-8



9 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**PHILIPPIANS 2:9-11**



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