



Teaching Notes Anointed to Lead- Week 1

A Study of the Lives of King Saul and King David



What is the Anointing?

- It is **God's ability** in you to enable you to do something with ease, without it being a struggle.
- It is through a personal relationship with God that He will, by His Holy Spirit, lead and guide each of us according to His purpose and plan for our lives.
- He will anoint, or enable us, to do what He has called each of us to do with our lives.
- Take time to build your relationship with God. Then you will be ready for the Holy Spirit to use you however and wherever He chooses.



Three types of anointing

- Every anointing has a purpose.
- The Leper's Anointing= authority because we have been forgiven. **We are called.**
- The Priestly Anointing= authority because we have been cleansed. **We are chosen.**
- The Kingly Anointing= authority because we **We are empowered.**



The Leper's Anointing= The Sinner's Anointing

- The presence of God dwells **in you**. **You are anointed right now!**
- 1 John 2:20- But ye have an unction from (you hold a sacred appointment from) the Holy One, and ye know all things.
- 1 John 2:27- As for you, the anointing [the special gift, the preparation] which you received from Him remains [permanently] in you, and you have no need for anyone to teach you. But just as His anointing teaches you [giving you insight through the presence of the Holy Spirit] about all things, and is true and is not a lie, and just as His anointing has taught you, you must remain in Him [being rooted in Him, knit to Him].
- How do we release this anointing? Learn to be obedient and sensitive to the Spirit's leading. Learn to listen to and follow that unction in your heart.



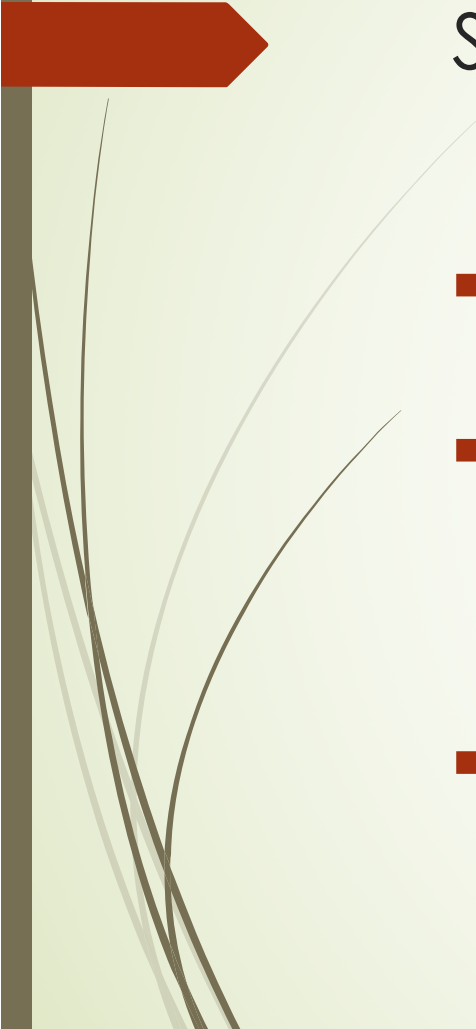
Jesus was anointed and so are we.

- “THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME (the Messiah),
BECAUSE HE HAS ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOOD NEWS TO THE POOR.
HE HAS SENT ME TO ANNOUNCE RELEASE (pardon, forgiveness) TO THE CAPTIVES,
AND RECOVERY OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND,
TO SET FREE THOSE WHO ARE OPPRESSED (downtrodden, bruised, crushed by
tragedy”- Luke 4:18 and Isaiah 6:1
- 2 Corinthians 1:21-22- Now it is God who establishes *and* confirms us [in joint fellowship] with you in Christ, and who has anointed us [empowering us with the gifts of the Spirit]; **22** it is He who has also put His seal on us [that is, He has appropriated us and certified us as His] and has given us the [Holy] Spirit in our hearts as a pledge [like a security deposit to guarantee the fulfillment of His promise of eternal life].



Saul Anointed King

- The people of Israel, who had always been a Theocracy- ruled by God-, demanded that they have a king just like everyone else. (1 Samuel 8)
- vs. 7- And the LORD said to Samuel, "Obey the voice of the people in all that they say to you, for they have not rejected you, but **they have rejected Me** from being king over them.
- Saul is chosen by God and anointed by the prophet Samuel to be the first ever king of Israel.
- Why Saul? He was tall and good looking. That's literally the only reason. (1 Samuel 9)
- vs. 21- Saul replied, "Am I not a Benjamite, of the smallest of the tribes of Israel? And is not my family the smallest of all the families of the tribe of Benjamin?....
- vs. 16- "About this time tomorrow I will send you a man from the land of Benjamin, and you shall **anoint him as leader** over My people Israel; and **he will save My people from the hand of the Philistines.**



Saul Rejected as King

- Saul is 30 years old when he becomes king and rules for 42 years.
- He defeats Ammonites, Philistines, and Amalekites- which is exactly what he was anointed to do, and then God rejects Saul as king in 1 Samuel 15.
- But... we will talk about that next week.



David Anointed King

- 1 Samuel 16- David is anointed = He is called to be king.
- Shepherd from Bethlehem. Youngest in his family. Overlooked and forgotten about. There is nothing special about David. You know the story.
- What does God see when he looks at David?
- 1 Samuel 16:6,7- "So it happened, when they had come, he looked at Eliab [the eldest son] and thought, "Surely the LORD'S anointed is before Him." ⁷ But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. **For the LORD sees not as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart.**"
- 1 Samuel 16: 13- Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David **from that day forward.**



Now the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul... vs. 14

This verse represents the turning point because it is here that David and Saul will meet.



David and Saul cross paths....

“¹⁴ Now the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the Lord tormented *and* terrified him.

¹⁵ Saul’s servants said to him, “Behold, an evil spirit from God is tormenting you. ¹⁶ Let our lord now command your servants who are here before you to find a man who plays skillfully on the harp; and when the evil spirit from God is on you, he shall play *the harp* with his hand, and you will be well.”

¹⁷ So Saul told his servants, “Find me a man who plays well and bring him to me.” I Samuel 16:14-17

David Anointed King... Now What?

- **David was still David**

- 1 Samuel 16:18,23

- ¹⁸ One of the young men said, "Behold, I have seen a son of Jesse the Bethlehemite who is a skillful musician, a brave *and* competent man, a warrior, discerning (prudent, eloquent) in speech, and a handsome man; and the LORD is with him."

²³ So it came about that whenever the [evil] spirit from God was on Saul, David took a harp and played it with his hand; so Saul would be refreshed and be well, and the evil spirit would leave him.



David Anointed King... Now What?

- Why are these verses so significant?
- First of all, we know David was already writing songs on the Judean hillside while tending sheep long before he was ever called to be king.
- God did not remove David's talents and his passion just because He asked him to go to the next level. No, he **emboldened** those talents and passions. He turned those talents and passions into healing balms of ministry that could subdue a mad king.
- God doesn't take away what you are good at, what you love, or the characteristics of your personality when you surrender to His call on your life, no, He takes those things you surrender to Him and He enhances them. He uses it in a brand new way for His Glory.
- Example: When I write or teach an anointed word.



David Anointed King... Now What?

- **David honored authority- God's, the king's, and his father's.**
- I Samuel 16:19- ¹⁹ So Saul sent messengers to Jesse and said, "Send me David your son, **who is with the flock.**"
- I Samuel 17:15- David went back and forth from Saul to tend his father's flock at Bethlehem.
- Notice where David is found. He is back with the flock. He has just been anointed King of Israel and instead of trying to usurp power, instead of letting Saul know how **he** will run things better once Saul is out of the picture, **instead of getting out ahead of God**, he goes back to the daily grind of shepherding his flock and **he waits** for God to make the next move.
- When King Saul decreed that he was going to kill David, notice that he fled in silence. He never spoke a word or lifted a hand against Saul. AND, David didn't split the kingdom when he made his departure. He fled rather than cause division.



David Anointed King... Now What?

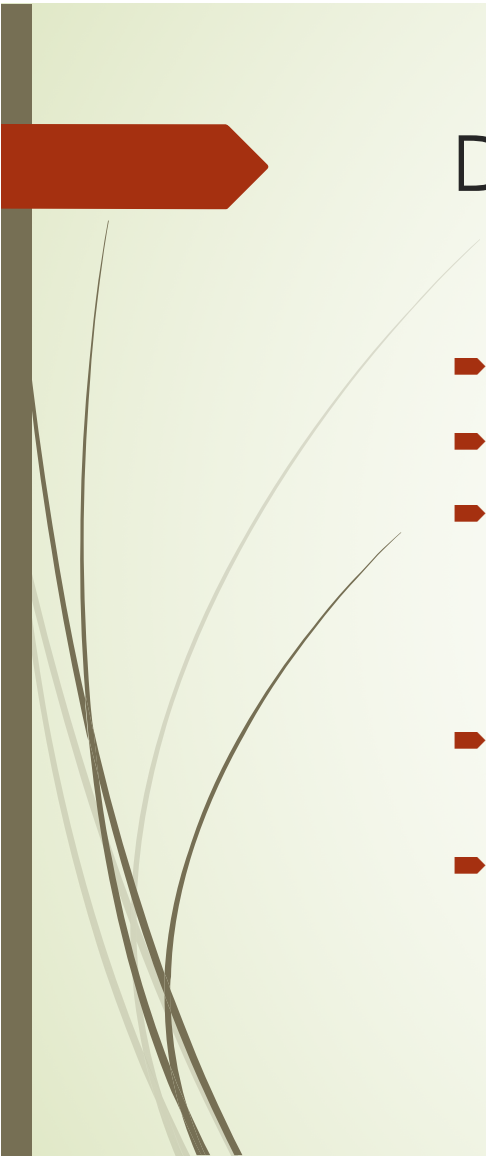
- David knows three things:

- - Saul is the Lord's anointed and until God moves Saul, David will honor Saul's position as king.

*Twice David had the ability to take out Saul when he was most vulnerable. He could have easily slit Saul's throat.

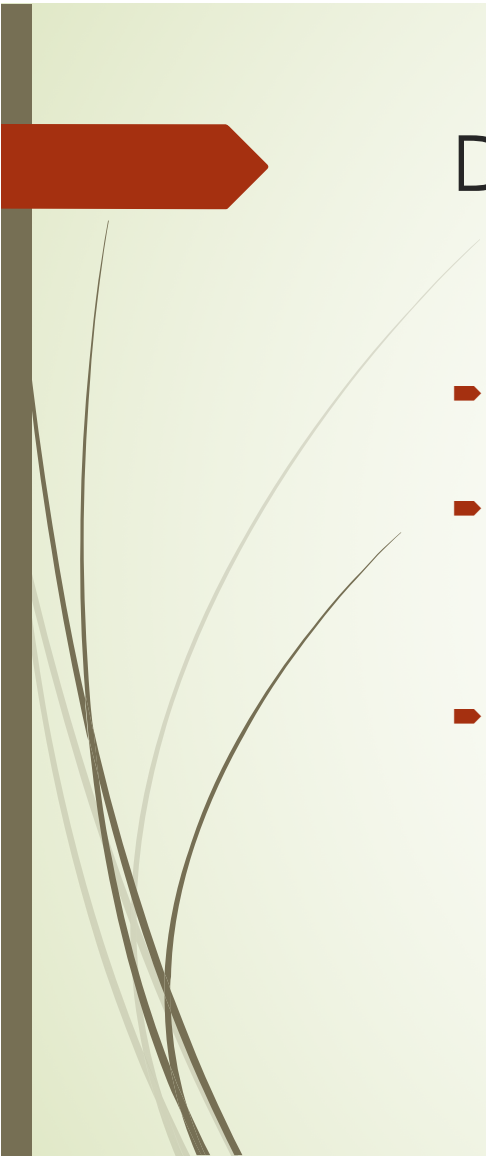
- - God's timing is perfect. If God said David will be king, then David will be king. No amount of striving or conniving on David's part will make a difference. David must remain available and follow God's leading.

- David must be **faithful** where God has planted him until God decides the time is right to move him.



David Anointed King... Now What?

- **David Served and God promoted**
- 1 Samuel 16:21-23
- Then David came to Saul and **attended him**. Saul loved him greatly and [later] David became his armor bearer. ²² Saul sent word to Jesse, saying, "Please let David be my attendant, for he has found favor in my sight."
- What does an armor bearer do? His job is to protect the warrior-king in battle.
- As the armor-bearer, David is Saul's right hand man. He makes Saul look good. He gives Saul credit for everything that goes right and takes the blame for everything that goes wrong. This is "How to be Promoted 101". Honor the king. Isn't that a command in Scripture?



David Anointed King... Now What?

- David had a servant's heart. That posture put him in the exact right place to be promoted.
- 1 Samuel 13:14- But now your kingdom shall not endure. The LORD has sought out for Himself a man (David) **after His own heart**, and the LORD has appointed him as leader *and* ruler over His people, because you have not kept (obeyed) what the LORD commanded you."
- Acts 13:22- And when He had removed him, He raised up David to be their king: of him He testified and said, 'I HAVE FOUND DAVID the son of Jesse, **A MAN AFTER MY OWN HEART** [conforming to My will and purposes], who will do all My will (in its entirety.)



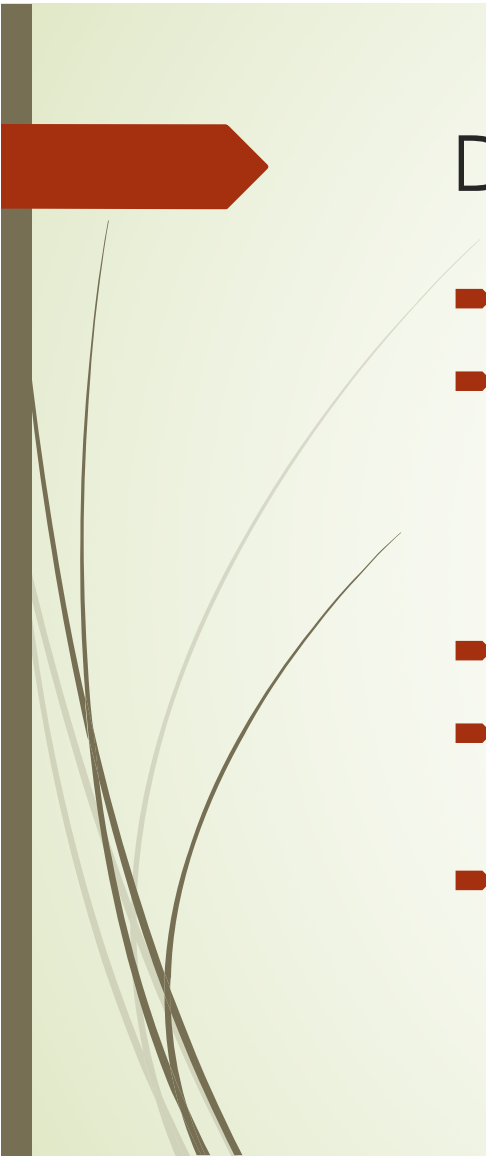
David Anointed King... Now What?

- **David grew bold in his faith (because he had been through it!)**
- 1 Samuel 17:34, 35
- “But David said to Saul, “Your servant was tending his father’s sheep. When a lion or a bear came and took a lamb out of the flock, ³⁵I went out after it and attacked it and rescued the lamb from its mouth; and when it rose up against me, I seized it by its whiskers and struck and killed it.”
- David became strong in the power of the Lord.
- vs. 37- David said, “The LORD who rescued me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, He will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine.
- The Lord had tested David and David had tested the Lord. And David found the Lord was faithful. He could be trusted.
- Notice that trust was found only by going through hard things.



David Anointed King... Now What?

- **David learned that his calling was personal- not everyone “gets it” or supports it.**
- 1 Samuel 17:28- Now Eliab his oldest brother heard what he said to the men; and Eliab's anger burned against David and he said, “Why have you come down here? With whom did you leave those few sheep in the wilderness? I know your presumption (overconfidence) and the evil of your heart; for you have come down in order to see the battle.”
- Remember that these are the same people who forgot David even existed when the prophet of God showed up.
- Eliab is the same (oldest) brother whom God passed over to be the next King of Israel
- vs. 30- Then David turned away from Eliab to someone else and asked the same question;
- **There will be times that you have to move on from friend, family, and the familiar in order to find the king inside of you.**
- You can't worry about who doesn't support you, you have to focus on who (Who) does.



David is Anointed... Now What?

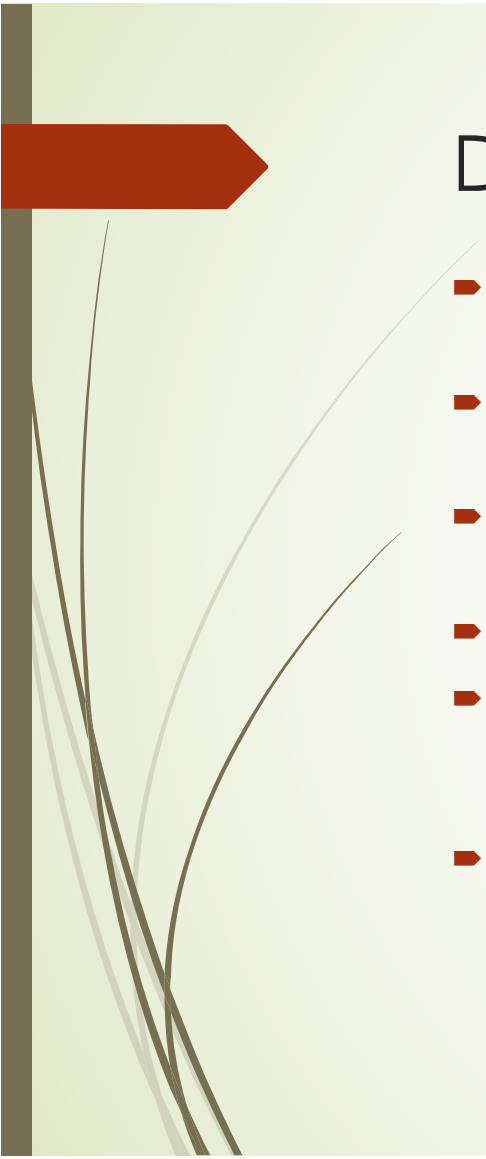
- **David became a giant killer... while Saul hid.**
- I Samuel 17:8- Goliath stood and shouted to the battle lines of Israel, saying to them, “Why have you come out to draw up for battle? **Am I not the Philistine and are you not servants of Saul?**
- **What had Saul’s anointing been for?**
- vs. 11- When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid.
- What made the difference between these two men?

The Anointing. One walked in it and one didn’t.



David Anointed King... Now What?

- I Samuel 17: 45- Then David said to the Philistine, “You come to me with a sword, a spear, and a javelin, but **I come to you in the name of the LORD** of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have taunted.
- vs. 49, 50- David put his hand into his bag and took out a stone and slung it, and it struck the Philistine on his forehead. The stone penetrated his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground. ⁵⁰ So David triumphed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone,
- Because of his faith and abiding trust in the Lord, David didn't question whether he could defeat Goliath, he already knew that **God would!**
- By the power of God, are you slaying the giants that come against you or are you hiding in a tent?



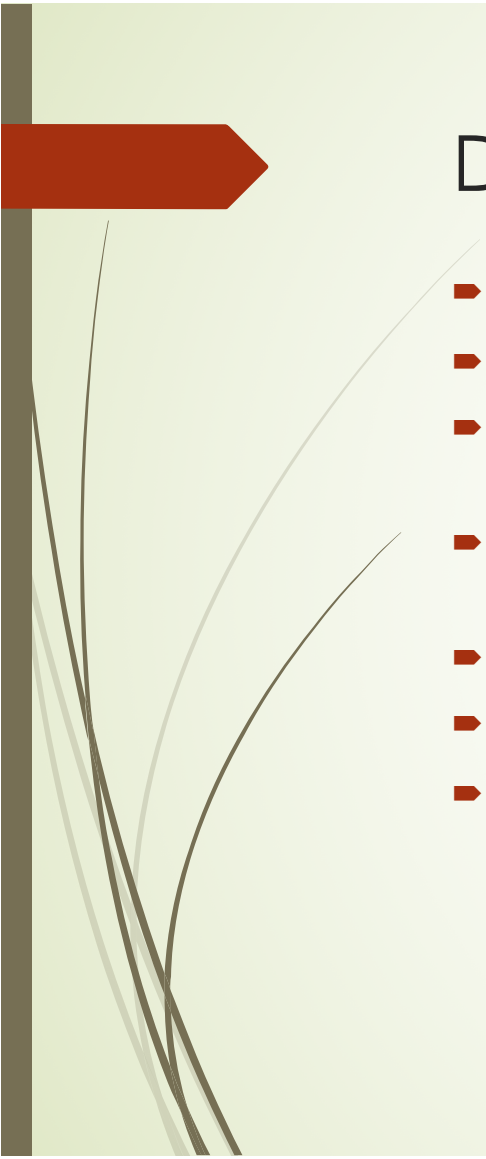
David Anointed King... Now What?

- **David found for himself a trusted confidant, cheerleader, and principled friend.**
- I Samuel 18:3- Then Jonathan made a covenant with David because he loved him as himself.
- I Samuel 20:17- Jonathan made David vow again because of his love for him, for Jonathan loved him as himself.
- **Not just anybody can be trusted with what God has entrusted to you.**
- Like David, we need to find one true covenant friend who is willing to pray for us, laugh and cry with us, and share our dreams, but is also not afraid to tell us the truth when we need it whether we want to hear it or not.
- Remember, Jonathan was the heir to the throne, yet he didn't fight for his own rights, he fought for his friend's calling and for **God's Will to be done!**



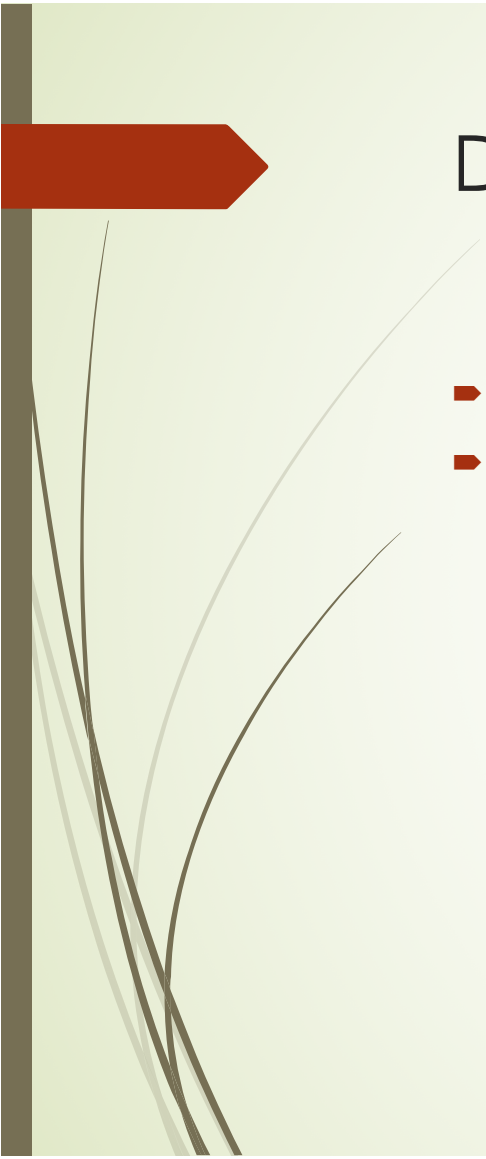
David is Anointed King... Now What?

- **David had to deal with jealous and insecure people... and you will too!**
- I Samuel 18:7-9 The women sang as they played *and* danced, saying,
- “Saul has slain his thousands,
And David his ten thousands.”
- ⁸ Then 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
[only] thousands. Now what more can he have but the kingdom?” ⁹ Saul looked
at David with suspicion [and jealously] from that day forward.
- I Samuel 19:9,10- Then an evil spirit from the LORD came on Saul as he was sitting
in his house with his **spear in his hand**, and David was **playing the harp with his
hand**. ¹⁰ Saul tried to pin David to the wall with the spear, but he escaped from
Saul's presence, so that Saul only stuck the spear into the wall. Then David fled
and escaped that night.



David Anointed King... Now What?

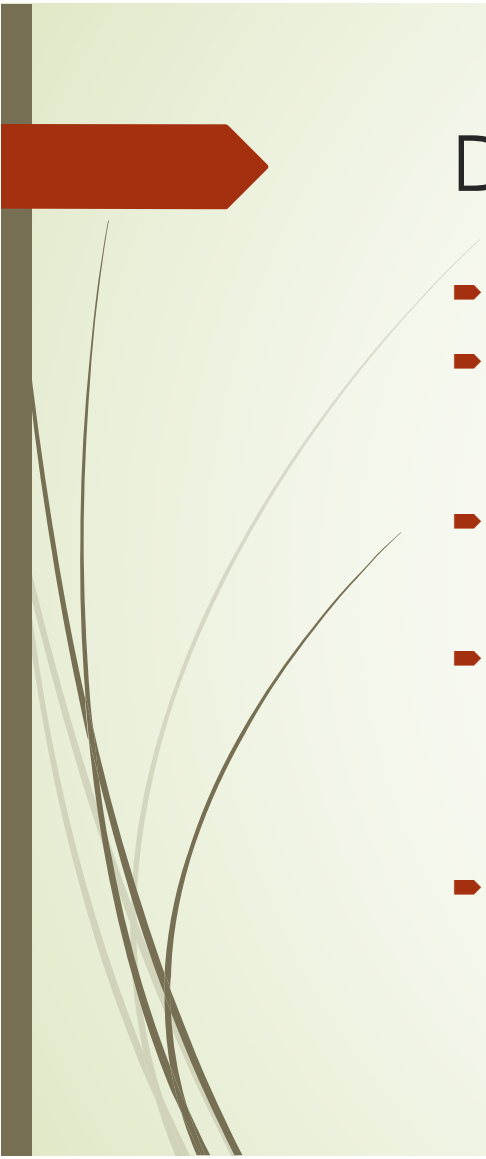
- **David had a wilderness experience**
- For the next ten chapters of 1 Samuel we find David in God's Boot Camp.
- Through no fault of his own, David is attacked. He is used, abused, misunderstood, and misrepresented.
- From the time David is anointed to be the next king of Israel until the time he takes the throne it will be 15 (very hard fought) years.
- Why? Wasn't he called, chosen, and anointed by God? Why the struggle?
- **Because God is all about the process for He has the outcome well at hand.**
- **And the same is true for you!**



David Anointed King... Now What?

- **David came to treasure and protect the anointing on his life**
- Psalm 51:10,11- Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right *and* steadfast spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from Your presence
And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.



David Anointed King... Now What?

- **Finally, David became a broken vessel that God could use.**
- Mad King Saul viewed David as a threat to *the king's* kingdom. The king didn't understand, it seems, that God should be left to decide what kingdoms survive which threats. So he threw spears at David.
- Is it possible that this mad king was the true king, even the Lord's anointed?
- God has a sacred school of submission and brokenness that anyone who dares to truly be used by Him must go through. Saul was God's chosen way to crush David.
- **What has God used in your life to break you and mold you into a vessel He can use? Have you ever thought about the fact that your heart-break or your mad king could have been anointed by God to get you in a place He could use you?**



David the shepherd would have grown up to become King Saul II, except that God cut away the Saul inside of David's heart.

*What were the scalpel and tongs God used to remove this inner Saul?
God used the outer Saul.- Gene Edwards A Tale of Three Kings*

Remember....

He fled into caves. He fled to foreign lands. Here, too, he was feared, hated, lied about and plotted against. These were David's darkest hours. You know them as his pre-king days, **but he didn't.**