CHASING AFTER GOD'S HEART



### Death of David

Then David rested with his ancestors and was buried in the City of David. He had reigned forty years over Israel—seven years in Hebron and thirty-three in Jerusalem. —The End

The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden,

but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.' "

"You will not certainly die," the serpent said to the woman. "For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

### Death reminds us of our Humanity

### Death reminds us that human life is a great gift from God.

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: a time to be born and a time to die.....

For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.

For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

"Death has been swallowed up in victory." "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

- 1. Death-enemy of God & man.
- 2. Enemy called death will be destroyed.
- 3. Death is already defeated.

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We are free to live with purpose just like David.

### David's life reminds us all that we have a reason to live.

#### 1. Know God

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Know God
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For the Lord sees every heart and knows every plan and thought. If you seek him, you will find him. But if you forsake him, he will reject you forever. So take this seriously.

And so I tell you, keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for. Keep on seeking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you.

For everyone who asks, receives. Everyone who seeks, finds. And to everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

He died at a ripe old age, having enjoyed long life, wealth, and honor. Then his son Solomon ruled in his place.

"No life is complete until there's a death. Death sets limits. To be human is to die. By dying we attest to our humanity. Death doesn't so much terminate our humanity as prove it." -Eugene Peterson

### You cannot fully value life until you understand death.

## Death is not the end of our story, It's only the beginning.

## We know that there is hope no matter what our humanity looks like.

We know that we have a God who is with us and for us no matter what we are going through— even when this might be in the mist of our own fear.

### We learn that there is forgiveness when there is sin.

### We learn we can serve God now in this moment & in our generation.

Even when life may not be perfect & our dreams may not be fulfilled.

Do you know him?
Do you serve him?
Do you seek him?

You can!