

## QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Why did Samuel go to anoint David in secret?
2. Why did Samuel sanctify Jesse and sons and call them to the sacrifice?
3. Why does man have the tendency to look on the outward appearance?
4. How does God judge? Why does God look on the heart?
5. How can we learn to more objectively peer into our hearts?
6. What was David doing when Samuel was reviewing Jesse's other sons? What significance might this have?
7. Why was David considered an unlikely candidate for King?
8. How can we know as believers that God has specifically provided a job for us to perform?

### SUMMARY:

As Samuel performed the anointing of David it must have certainly served to strengthen his faith. We also can learn from the parts played by both these men. First, that God is to be obeyed regardless of the immediate consequences. He will take care of the future if we only obey in the present.

Secondly, if we in quietness serve God in the ways that are open to us, He will prepare us for a future work of which only He has a present knowledge. Each small act performed in obedience to His will forms a part of the overall plan which includes the salvation of man and an eternity spent with those who are called out of a world of sin.

### NOTES:

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[SoF:9] We believe in the baptism of the Holy Spirit, by Whose indwelling the believer is empowered to live a Godly life in spiritual unity with Christ. [SoF:15] We believe that the Great Commission of our Lord Jesus Christ is an invitation for everyone to live a life of abandonment to Him Who loved us and gave Himself for us, surrendering His personal ambitions and possessions in an unreserved committal to take the proclamation of the Gospel throughout "all the world to every creature".

## APOSTOLIC CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible Lesson #1

July 2, 2023

Third Quarter

### DAVID ANOINTED KING

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**LESSON TEXT:** *1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 1:1-6*

**LESSON SETTING:** After King Saul continuously disobeyed God, God sent Samuel the prophet to anoint a new king for Israel.

**TIME:** Approximately 1063 B.C.

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#### I. SEEKING GOD'S MAN. 1 Samuel 16:1-10

- A. Need for Sanctification (vs. 5)
- B. How Man Judges (vs. 7) John 7:34; 2 Corinthians 5:12; 10:7
- C. How God Judges (vs. 7) Jeremiah 17:10; Luke 11:17; John 2:25; Romans 8:27

#### II. SECURING GOD'S MAN. 1 Samuel 16:11-13

- A. Chosen of God (vs. 12) John 15:16; Acts 9:11-15
- B. Anointed for God's Service (vs. 13) 1 Kings 1:39; 19:16; Acts 6:6; 13:3; 1 Timothy 4:14
- C. Filled with the Spirit (vs. 13) Luke 1:15; Acts 2:4; 4:31; 11:22-24; 13:52

#### III. QUALITIES OF GOD'S MAN. Psalm 1:1-6

- A. Separated <sup>[SoF:15]</sup> (vs. 1) John 15:19; Ephesians 5:11; 2 Thessalonians 3:6
- B. Loves God's Word (vs. 2) Psalm 119:47, 140; Jeremiah 15:16
- C. Bears Spiritual Fruit <sup>[SoF:9]</sup> (vs. 3) Psalm 92:13-14; Matthew 13:8; John 15:2; Ephesians 5:9

**GOLDEN TEXT:** *MAN LOOKETH ON THE OUTWARD APPEARANCE, BUT THE LORD LOOKETH ON THE HEART.*

1 Samuel 16:7

**NEXT SUNDAY'S LESSON:** 1 Samuel 17:1-58; Psalm 2:1-12  
**SUPPLEMENTAL REFERENCES:** 1 Kings 20:13-30;  
Revelation 3:21; 17:14

**QUARTERLY THEME:** Early Life of David

**TOPIC:** DAVID AND GOLIATH

**INTRODUCTION:**

As we examine this text we find that David thought it no great thing to advance from the incident involving the bear and the lion—which God had given into his hand—to this current event involving the giant Goliath. Perhaps it was not a great thing. No doubt there were other, smaller victories before the bear and the lion. This is the way God would have faith grow in His children. The important thing here was that His servant, David, dared to trust the Great God he had come to know through innumerable experiences. Each answered prayer and each deliverance from difficult circumstances served to prepare David for this day when God might receive honor and glory in the defeat of a giant.

Today we also have “giants” who would jeer and ridicule the people of God. Today also God would have these “giants” defeated at the hands of weak men. If we are to slay them we must start with smaller victories and allow God to lead us down such a path of answered prayers that He can prepare us to trust Him in large victories.

Remember, God’s arm is no shorter today than it was in the day that the giant Goliath fell before David’s sling. God still desires sinful man to see the power that is His. God still uses the weakness of man to act as His “lights” here on earth. If we will but begin to trust Him in little things, He will reveal Himself to us and cause us to grow in the knowledge of His Son who died that we might be His sons and daughters.

**CENTRAL TRUTH:** Spiritual victories are won not by natural powers or abilities but by faith in God and reliance upon Him (Zec 4:6).

**GOLDEN TEXT:** *THE LORD SAVETH NOT WITH SWORD AND SPEAR: FOR THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S.* 1 Samuel 17:47

As we review Biblical History, we find God using methods that could be well classified as unusual. To conquer Jericho, He directed Joshua to use trumpets and to march around the city. To conquer the Midianites, He directed Gideon to use torches and trumpets. These were certainly strange weapons with which to wage a war. His purpose in using the unusual is to eliminate the possibility of ascribing these miracles to natural means. The use of a young man with a sling pitted against a fully armored giant with conventional arms of the day left Israel with little doubt as to who was the Victor.

God in His dealings with mankind today still employs the same principle. The preaching of the Cross is to them that perish foolishness. (1 Corinthians 1:18) Many truths of God are hidden from the wise and prudent and revealed to babes. (Matthew 11:25) These means are as unusual today as were the Old Testament weapons, but just as important.

Today, we must each decide whether we will believe His report and be a part of the eternal victory or whether we will depend on conventional means to live our own lives and fight our own battles. The Word says, “There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.” (Proverbs 14:12)

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF July 3 – 9**

- Mon. \*Goliath’s Defiance. 1 Samuel 17:1-11
- Tue. \*David’s Errand. 1 Samuel 17:12-19
- Wed. \*Israel’s Cowardice. 1 Samuel 17:20-30
- Thu. \*David’s Courage. 1 Samuel 17:31-40
- Fri. \*David and Goliath. 1 Samuel 17:41-49
- Sat. \*David’s Victory. 1 Samuel 17:50-58
- Sun. \*God’s Supremacy. Psalm 2:1-12

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