

David a Man after God's Own Heart

Acts 13:22

"And when He had removed him, He raised up for them David as king, to whom also He gave testimony and said, 'I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after My own heart, who will do all My will.' NKJV

Last week we saw how God chose David and his descendants to put his favor on by being a Father to them. Loving them but also correcting them when needed.

Today we see the beginning of all this in that God told Samuel that David was a man after His own heart. And in our passage this morning Paul quotes that passage. But why? What was it about David that caused God to tell Samuel this?

God did not delight in David because he was perfect or great or smart or wise or good looking. God does not concern himself with the outward part of us, with what most often impresses people. God sees what cannot be seen. He delights in what we are and who we are or what we have.

I. Seen in What He Loved

A. The Word of God for it Is God's Voice

1. "OH, HOW I LOVE YOUR LAW!" - Psa 119:97
2. Psa 119:47-48 47 And I will delight myself in Your commandments, Which I love. 48 My hands also I will lift up to Your commandments, Which I love, And I will meditate on Your statutes.
3. This love for God's Word is due to the fact that...
4. Psa 1: 1 ¶ Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; 2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night. 3 He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water, That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper.

B. The Law of God for it Reflects the Moral Character of God

C. The Mercy of God for it Reflects God's Nature

D. How do we show that we love the Word of God.

II. Seen in What He Did

A. Remember the passage says "He will do all My will."

1. David was no half-hearted follower.

2. He pursued hard after God.
3. As the deer pants for the water brook, so my heart longs for you oh God.

B. Worship for He Exalted God

1. "SEVEN TIMES A DAY I PRAISE YOU" - Psa 119:164
2. He praised God because of His righteous judgments
3. 2. He praised God because of His greatness and lovingkindness -
4. Psa 95:1-7 1 ¶ Oh come, let us sing to the LORD! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. 2 Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms. 3 For the LORD is the great God, And the great King above all gods. 4 In His hand are the deep places of the earth; The heights of the hills are His also. 5 The sea is His, for He made it; And His hands formed the dry land. 6 Oh come, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker. 7 ¶ For He is our God, And we are the people of His pasture, And the sheep of His hand.
5. And he was determined to sing praises as long as he lived -
6. Psa 104:33 33 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.

C. Assigned Singers for Worship

D. Wrote Songs for Worship

III. Desired to Build a House for God

- A. Prepared the Utensils
- B. Gathered Material
- C. Saved up Gold & Silver & Fine Linen
- D. Had Never Occurred to Anyone Before
- E. He Believed God Deserved to Be Praised above All Else
- F. That Is the Basis of Worship

IV. Also seen in how David saw his Sin when Confronted

- A. Unlike Saul, David freely confessed his sin.
- B. He repented deeply with all his heart.
- C. It was as though that once David saw his sin, that he saw it the way that God did.
- D. Psa 51: Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your lovingkindness;

According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions. 2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, And cleanse me from my sin. 3 For I acknowledge my transgressions, And my sin is always before me. 4 Against You, You only, have I sinned, And done this evil in Your sight—That You may be found just when You speak, And blameless when You judge. 5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me. 6 Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, And in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom.

7 ¶ Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. 8 Make me hear joy and gladness, That the bones You have broken may rejoice. 9 Hide Your face from my sins, And blot out all my iniquities. 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a steadfast spirit within me. 11 Do not cast me away from Your presence, And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me. 12 Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, And uphold me by Your generous Spirit. 13 Then I will teach transgressors Your ways, And sinners shall be converted to You.

14 ¶ Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God, The God of my salvation, And my tongue shall sing aloud of Your righteousness. 15 O Lord, open my lips, And my mouth shall show forth Your praise. 16 For You do not desire sacrifice, or else I would give it; You do not delight in burnt offering. 17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, A broken and a contrite heart—These, O God, You will not despise. 18 Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion; Build the walls of Jerusalem. 19 Then You shall be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, With burnt offering and whole burnt offering; Then they shall offer bulls on Your altar.