

## 1 Samuel Lesson 26 David is Anointed King Part Two

### Key Themes in 1 Samuel :

- The connection between our obedience and our relationship to God
- God opposes the proud and exalts the humble
- Despite human evil, God is working out His purposes in history
- Kingship in Israel and God's plan to one day raise up an anointed divine king

### Background:

**Anointing with oil:** The priests and kings of Israel were usually anointed with oil as a sign of an official appointment to office and as a symbol of God's power upon them.

**Kingship and the Role of the Holy Spirit:** The human kings of Israel were an agent of Yahweh who was the true king of Israel. When a new king was anointed the Holy Spirit came upon him. The Holy Spirit was not given to 2 individuals at the same time. When the Spirit came upon David, it was removed from Saul.

Yahweh had rejected as king of Israel all seven of Jesse's sons who had attended the sacrifice in Bethlehem. Because Samuel had been told by Yahweh that the new king would be one of Jesse's sons, Samuel inquires of Jesse if he has anymore sons. Jesse tells him of his youngest son David who is not present.

### Read I Samuel 16:1-23

1. According to 1 Samuel 16:11-12 what was David doing when Jesse summoned him and how is David described?

2. When Samuel anoints David in 16:13 according to the Lord's instructions, what happened to David?

**Application:** David was the youngest of all his brothers and was doing the menial job of tending sheep when he was called to serve God as king of Israel. In choosing David, God had looked at his heart. Once he was chosen, God gave him the Holy Spirit to empower him. How can knowing both of these facts be an encouragement to you as you carry out any ministry that God has called you to or will call you to? See also I Corinthians 1:27-29.

3. When David received the Holy Spirit, it was taken from Saul. What kind of spirit do we read in 16:14 came to Saul instead and what did that spirit do to Saul?

4. In 16 :16 -18 what did Saul's servants suggest as a remedy for Saul's state of mind? How did the servant describe David and how does this description reveal traits that will be important for Israel's king both physically and spiritually?

**Application:** What do you see of God's providence in David's appointment to Saul's court as a musician and how was that appointment preparation for his future as king? Looking back over your life how has God prepared you for the ministry He has called you to?

5. According to 1 Samuel 16:21-23 how did Saul feel about David at this point and how did he honor him? In what way can you apply 1 Peter 5:5-6 to David ? What does both David's example and the 1 Peter passage teach about your own walk with the Lord and your obedience?

6. What do you see so far of David's heart? What are some godly character traits that are already apparent in David? Give evidence from the text.

**Application:** What themes from 1 Samuel do you see in this chapter? Give specific examples.

