第六篇

從大衛的歷史看屬靈的原則、生命的功課、以及聖別的警告

詩歌：

讀經：撒上十六 1 ～撒下二四 25，徒十三 22，36

撒上十六 1 ～撒下二四 25　（畧）

徒 13:22 既廢了掃羅，就興起大衛作他們的王，又爲他作見證說，我尋得耶西的兒子大衛，他是合乎我心的人，必實行我一切的旨意。

徒 13:36 大衛在神的旨意中，服事了他那一代的人，就睡了，歸到他祖宗那裏，已見朽壞；

壹 在大衛的歷史裏，（撒上十六 1 ～撒下二四 25，）我們需要看見神的主宰以及大衛學十字架的功課：

撒上十六 1 ～撒下二四 25　（畧）

一 在神主宰的權柄下，大衛在信靠神擊敗歌利亞的事上受試驗並蒙稱許—撒上十七 1 ～ 58：

撒上 17:1 非利士人招聚他們的軍隊，要來爭戰；他們聚集在屬猶大的梭哥，安營在梭哥和亞西加之間的以弗大悶。

撒上 17:2 掃羅和以色列人也聚集，在以拉谷安營，擺列戰陣，要與非利士人打仗。

撒上 17:3 非利士人站在這邊山上，以色列人站在那邊山上，當中有谷。

撒上 17:4 從非利士人的營中出來一個討戰的人，名叫歌利亞，來自迦特，身高六肘零一虎口；

撒上 17:5 頭戴銅盔，身穿鎧甲，鎧甲是銅的，重五千舍客勒；

撒上 17:6 腿上有銅護脛，兩肩之中背負銅戟；

撒上 17:7 槍桿粗如織布的機軸，槍頭是鐵的，重六百舍客勒。有一個拿盾牌的人在他前面走。

撒上 17:8 歌利亞對着以色列的戰陣站立，呼叫說，你們出來擺陣作

Message Six

Spiritual Principles, Life Lessons, and Holy Warnings Seen in the History of David

Hymns:

Scripture Reading: 1 Sam. 16:1—2 Sam. 24:25; Acts 13:22, 36

1 Sam. 16:1—2 Sam. 24:25　(omitted)

Acts 13:22 And when He had deposed him, He raised up David for them as king, to whom also He testified and said, I have found David, the son of Jesse, a man according to My heart, who will do all My will.

Acts 13:36 Now David, having served his own generation by the counsel of God, did indeed fall asleep and was buried with his fathers and saw corruption;

I. In the history of David (1 Sam. 16:1—2 Sam. 24:25), we need to see God's sovereignty and David's learning the lessons of the cross:

1 Sam. 16:1—2 Sam. 24:25　(omitted)

A. Under God's sovereignty David was tested and approved in his trusting God and defeating Goliath—1 Sam. 17:1-58:

1 Sam. 17:1 And the Philistines assembled their armies for battle, and they assembled in Socoh, which belongs to Judah. And they encamped between Socoh and Azekah in Ephes-dammim.

1 Sam. 17:2 And Saul and the men of Israel were assembled, and they encamped in the valley of Elah. And they set the battle in array against the Philistines.

1 Sam. 17:3 And the Philistines stood on one mountain on one side, and Israel stood on another mountain on the other side; and the valley was between them.

1 Sam. 17:4 And a champion came forth from the camps of the Philistines. His name was Goliath, from Gath, and he was six cubits and a span tall.

1 Sam. 17:5 And there was a bronze helmet upon his head; and he was clothed with scaled armor, and the weight of the armor was five thousand bronze shekels.

1 Sam. 17:6 And he had bronze greaves upon his legs and a bronze javelin slung between his shoulders.

1 Sam. 17:7 And the shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and the head of his spear weighed six hundred iron shekels; and his shield bearer went before him.

1 Sam. 17:8 And he stood and called out to the ranks of Israel and said to them, Why do you come out to set

甚麼？我不是非利士人麼？你們不是掃羅的僕人麼？你們可以爲自己揀選一個人，使他下到我這裏來。

撒上 17:9 他若能與我戰鬬，將我殺死，我們就作你們的僕人；我若勝了他，將他殺死，你們就作我們的僕人，服事我們。

撒上 17:10 那非利士人又說，我今日向以色列人的軍隊罵陣。你們給我一個人，讓我們戰鬬。

撒上 17:11 掃羅和全以色列聽見那非利士人的這些話，就驚惶，極其害怕。

撒上 17:12 大衛是猶大伯利恆一個以法他人的兒子；這以法他人名叫耶西，有八個兒子。當掃羅的時候，耶西在眾人中已經年紀老邁了。

撒上 17:13 耶西的三個大兒子跟隨掃羅出征。這出征的三個兒子，名字如下：長子是以利押，次子是亞比拿達，三子是沙瑪；

撒上 17:14 大衛是最小的。那三個大兒子跟隨掃羅；

撒上 17:15 大衛有時去侍候掃羅，有時離開，回伯利恆放他父親的羊。

撒上 17:16 那非利士人早晚都近前來站着，如此四十日。

撒上 17:17 一日，耶西對他兒子大衛說，你給你哥哥們拿這一伊法烘了的穗子和這十個餅，速速的送到營裏去，交給你哥哥們；

撒上 17:18 又拿這十塊乳餅，送給他們的千夫長，且看望你哥哥們是否平安，向他們拿個憑證。

撒上 17:19 掃羅與大衛的三個哥哥和以色列眾人，正在以拉谷與非利士人打仗。

撒上 17:20 大衛清早起來，將羊交託一個看守的人，照着耶西所吩咐他的，帶着食物去了。到了輜重營，那出去擺陣的軍兵，正吶喊要戰。

撒上 17:21 以色列人和非利士人都擺陣，彼此相對。

撒上 17:22 大衛把他帶來的食物，留在看守物件之人的手下，跑到戰陣上，前去問他哥哥們安。

撒上 17:23 他正與他們說話的時候，那討戰的，就是來自迦特的非利士人，名叫歌利亞，從非利士人戰陣中上來，說的是同樣的那些話；大衛都聽見了。

撒上 17:24 以色列眾人看見那人，就從他面前逃跑，極其害怕。

撒上 17:25 以色列人彼此說，這上來的人你們看見了麼？他上來是要向以色列人罵陣。若有能打死他的，王必賞賜他大財，將自己的女兒給他爲妻，並在以色列中免他父家納糧當差。

撒上 17:26 大衛對站在旁邊的人說，有人殺這非利士人，除掉以色列的恥辱，怎樣待他呢？這未受割禮的非利士人是誰呢？竟敢向活神的軍隊罵陣麼？

撒上 17:27 百姓照先前的話回答他說，有人能殺這非利士人，必如此如此待他。

撒上 17:28 大衛的長兄以利押，聽見大衛與那些人所說的話，就向他發怒，說，你下來作甚麼？在曠野的那幾隻羊，你交託了誰？我知道你的驕傲和你心裏的惡意，你下來是要看爭戰。

撒上 17:29 大衛說，我現在作了甚麼呢？我來豈沒有緣故麼？

the battle in array? Am I not a Philistine, and you, Saul's servants? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me.

1 Sam. 17:9 If he is able to fight with me and strike me down, we will be your servants; but if I prevail against him and strike him down, you will be our servants and serve us.

1 Sam. 17:10 And the Philistine said, I defy the ranks of Israel this day. Give me a man, and let us fight together.

1 Sam. 17:11 Now when Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid.

1 Sam. 17:12 Now David was the son of that Ephrathite from Bethlehem-judah, named Jesse, who had eight sons. And the man was an old man in the days of Saul, advanced in years among men.

1 Sam. 17:13 And the three oldest sons of Jesse had gone after Saul to the battle. And the names of his three sons who had gone into the battle were Eliab the firstborn and the second to him Abinadab and the third Shammah;

1 Sam. 17:14 And David was the youngest. And the three oldest went after Saul,

1 Sam. 17:15 But David went back and forth from Saul to tend his father's sheep at Bethlehem.

1 Sam. 17:16 And the Philistine approached morning and evening, and he presented himself forty days.

1 Sam. 17:17 And Jesse said to David his son, Take an ephah of this parched grain for your brothers and these ten loaves, and take them quickly to your brothers' camp.

1 Sam. 17:18 Also bring these ten cheeses to the captain of their thousand; and see how your brothers are doing, and take some token from them.

1 Sam. 17:19 Now Saul and they and all the men of Israel were in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines.

1 Sam. 17:20 And David rose early in the morning and left the sheep with a keeper. And he took up the goods and went, as Jesse had commanded him. And he came to the entrenchment as the army was going forth to the battle line and shouting for the battle.

1 Sam. 17:21 And Israel and the Philistines set the battle in array, array against array.

1 Sam. 17:22 And David left the things he had in the hand of the keeper of the equipment, and he ran to the array and went and greeted his brothers.

1 Sam. 17:23 And just as he was speaking with them, the champion, whose name was Goliath, the Philistine from Gath, came up out of the ranks of the Philistines, and he spoke according to the same words; and David heard.

1 Sam. 17:24 And all the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled from before him; and they were very afraid.

1 Sam. 17:25 And the men of Israel said, Have you seen this man who has come up? Surely he comes up to defy Israel. But as for the man who strikes him down, the king will make him rich with great riches; and he will give him his daughter and make the house of his father free in Israel.

1 Sam. 17:26 Then David spoke to the men who were standing with him, saying, What shall be done for the man who strikes down this Philistine and turns away reproach from Israel? For who is this uncircumcised Philistine that he should defy the ranks of the living God?

1 Sam. 17:27 And the people spoke to him according to these words, saying, Thus shall it be done to the man who strikes him down.

1 Sam. 17:28 And Eliab his oldest brother heard him speaking to the men; and Eliab's anger was kindled against David, and he said, Why have you come down? And with whom have you left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know your pride and the evil of your heart, that you came down to see the battle.

1 Sam. 17:29 And David said, What have I done now? Is there no cause?

撒上 17:30 大衛就離開他轉向別人，照先前的話而說；百姓仍照先前的話回答他。
撒上 17:31 有人聽見大衛所說的話，就報告在掃羅面前；掃羅便打發人叫他來。
撒上 17:32 大衛對掃羅說，人都不必因這非利士人喪膽。你的僕人要去與這非利士人戰鬭。
撒上 17:33 掃羅對大衛說，你不能去對抗這非利士人，與他戰鬭；因爲你年紀還輕，而他自幼就作戰士。
撒上 17:34 大衛對掃羅說，你僕人爲父親放羊，有時來了獅子或熊，從羣中啣一隻羊羔去。
撒上 17:35 我就追趕牠，擊打牠，將羊羔從牠口中救出來。牠起來要害我，我就揪着牠的鬍子，將牠打死。
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撒上 17:37 大衛又說，耶和華救我脫離獅子和熊的爪，也必救我脫離這非利士人的手。掃羅對大衛說，你去罷，耶和華必與你同在。
撒上 17:38 掃羅就把自己的戰衣給大衛穿上，將銅盔戴在他頭上，又給他穿上鎧甲。
撒上 17:39 大衛把掃羅的刀跨在戰衣外，因爲素來沒有穿慣，就試着走一走。大衛對掃羅說，我穿戴這些不能走，因爲素來沒有穿慣。於是摘脫了。
撒上 17:40 他手中拿杖，又在溪中爲自己挑選了五塊光滑的石子，放在袋裏，就是他所帶着牧人用的囊裏；手中拿着甩石的機弦，走近那非利士人。
撒上 17:41 那非利士人也漸漸的走近大衛，拿盾牌的走在他前頭。

撒上 17:42 那非利士人觀看，見了大衛，就藐視他；因爲他年輕，面色紅潤，容貌俊美。
撒上 17:43 那非利士人對大衛說，你拿杖到我這裏來，我豈是狗呢？那非利士人就指着自己的神咒詛大衛。
撒上 17:44 那非利士人又對大衛說，你來攻擊我罷，我要將你的肉給空中的飛鳥、田野的走獸喫。
撒上 17:45 大衛對那非利士人說，你來攻擊我，是靠着刀槍和銅戟；我來攻擊你，是在萬軍之耶和華，就是你所辱罵以色列軍陣之神的名裏。
撒上 17:46 今日耶和華必將你交在我手裏；我必殺你，取下你的頭。我又要將非利士軍兵的屍首給空中的飛鳥、地上的野獸喫。全地就必知道以色列中有神；
撒上 17:47 聚集在這裏的眾人也必知道耶和華施行拯救，不是用刀用槍，因爲爭戰的勝敗在於耶和華。祂必將你們交在我們手裏。
撒上 17:48 那非利士人起身，迎着大衛漸漸走近；大衛急忙迎着那非利士人，往戰陣跑去。
撒上 17:49 大衛伸手到囊中，掏出一塊石子來，用機弦甩去，打中那非利士人的額；石子進入額內，他就仆倒，面伏於地。

1 Sam. 17:30 And he turned around from him to another and spoke according to the same words, and the people responded to him according to the first words.
1 Sam. 17:31 And when the words that David spoke were heard, they were reported to Saul; and he had him brought.
1 Sam. 17:32 And David said to Saul, Let no man's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine.
1 Sam. 17:33 But Saul said to David, You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him, for you are but a youth and he has been a man of war since his youth.
1 Sam. 17:34 And David said to Saul, Your servant has been tending his father's sheep; and when a lion or a bear came and took a lamb from the flock,
1 Sam. 17:35 I would go out after it and strike it and deliver the lamb from its mouth. And when it rose up against me, I would seize it by its beard and strike it and kill it.
1 Sam. 17:36 Both the lion and the bear did your servant strike; and this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, for he has defied the ranks of the living God.
1 Sam. 17:37 And David said, Jehovah, who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, He will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said to David, Go, and may Jehovah be with you.
1 Sam. 17:38 And Saul put his own garment on David, and he placed a bronze helmet on his head and put his armor on him.
1 Sam. 17:39 And David girded his sword over his garment and tried to go, for he had not tried the armor. Then David said to Saul, I cannot go in these because I have not tried them. And David took them off.
1 Sam. 17:40 Then he took his staff in his hand, and he chose for himself five smooth stones from the brook and put them into the shepherd's bag that he had, that is, in his pouch; and his sling was in his hand. And he drew near to the Philistine.
1 Sam. 17:41 And the Philistine came on and approached David, and the man who bore the shield was before him.
1 Sam. 17:42 And when the Philistine looked and saw David, he scorned him; for he was but a youth and ruddy and handsome in appearance.
1 Sam. 17:43 And the Philistine said to David, Am I a dog, that you come to me with staves? And the Philistine cursed David by his gods.
1 Sam. 17:44 And the Philistine said to David, Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of heaven and to the beasts of the field.
1 Sam. 17:45 Then David said to the Philistine, You come to me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come to you in the name of Jehovah of hosts, the God of the ranks of Israel, whom you have defied.
1 Sam. 17:46 On this day Jehovah will deliver you up into my hand, and I will strike you and remove your head from you. And I will give the corpses of the camp of the Philistines to the birds of heaven and to the animals of the earth on this day. And all the earth will know that there is a God in Israel;
1 Sam. 17:47 And all this congregation will know that it is not by sword or spear that Jehovah saves, for the battle is Jehovah's and He will deliver you into our hand.
1 Sam. 17:48 And when the Philistine rose up and came and drew near to meet David, David hurried and ran toward the battle line to meet the Philistine.
1 Sam. 17:49 And David put forth his hand into his bag and took a stone from there. And he slung it and struck the Philistine in his forehead. And the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the ground.

撒上 17:50 這樣，大衛用機弦和石子，勝了那非利士人，打死了他；大衛手中卻沒有刀。
撒上 17:51 大衛跑去，站在那非利士人身旁，將他的刀從鞘中拔出來，用刀割了他的頭，將他殺死。非利士人看見他們的勇士死了，就都逃跑。
撒上 17:52 以色列人和猶大人便起身吶喊，追趕非利士人，直到該，直到以革倫的城門。被殺的非利士人倒在往沙拉音的路上，直到迦特和以革倫。
撒上 17:53 以色列人追趕非利士人回來，就奪了他們的營盤。
撒上 17:54 大衛將那非利士人的頭拿到耶路撒冷，卻將他的軍裝放在自己的帳棚裏。
撒上 17:55 掃羅看見大衛出去迎戰那非利士人，就對軍隊的元帥押尼珥說，押尼珥阿，這少年人是誰的兒子？押尼珥說，王阿，我指着你的性命起誓，我不知道。
撒上 17:56 王說，你可以問問這幼年人是誰的兒子。
撒上 17:57 大衛打死那非利士人回來，押尼珥領他到掃羅面前；他手中拿着那非利士人的頭。
撒上 17:58 掃羅對他說，少年人哪，你是誰的兒子？大衛說，我是你僕人伯利恆人耶西的兒子。

1 大衛作牧人的經歷訓練他信靠主，所以當聽見歌利亞的罵陣，他能對掃羅說，『你僕人爲父親放羊，有時來了獅子或熊，從羣中啣一隻羊羔去。我就追趕牠，擊打牠，將羊羔從牠口中救出來。牠起來要害我，我就揪着牠的鬍子，將牠打死。…耶和華救我脫離獅子和熊的爪，也必救我脫離這非利士人的手』—34 ～ 37 節。

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2 大衛對歌利亞說，『耶和華施行拯救，不是用刀用槍，因爲爭戰的勝敗在於耶和華。祂必將你們交在我們手裏；』（47；）然後大衛出去與歌利亞戰鬪，（40 ～ 48，）用機弦甩石，打進歌利亞的額內，將他殺死，用歌利亞的刀割了他的頭。（49 ～ 54。）

1 Sam. 17:50 Thus David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone, and struck the Philistine and killed him; but there was no sword in David's hand.
1 Sam. 17:51 Then David ran and stood beside the Philistine, and he took the Philistine's sword and drew it out of its sheath and made certain he was dead by striking off his head with it. And when the Philistines saw that their mighty man was dead, they fled.
1 Sam. 17:52 And the men of Israel and Judah rose up and shouted and pursued the Philistines until you come to Gai and to the gates of Ekron. And the Philistines lay slain along the way to Shaaraim as far as Gath and Ekron.
1 Sam. 17:53 And the children of Israel returned from chasing the Philistines, and they plundered their camps.
1 Sam. 17:54 And David took the head of the Philistine and brought it to Jerusalem, but he put his armor in his tent.
1 Sam. 17:55 Now when Saul saw David going forth to meet the Philistine, he said to Abner the captain of the army, Whose son is this youth, Abner? And Abner said, As your soul lives, O king, I do not know.
1 Sam. 17:56 And the king said, Inquire whose son this young man is.
1 Sam. 17:57 So when David returned from striking down the Philistine, Abner took him and brought him before Saul; and the Philistine's head was in his hand.
1 Sam. 17:58 And Saul said to him, Whose son are you, young man? And David said, The son of your servant Jesse the Bethlehemite.

1. David's experience as a shepherd had trained him to trust in the Lord, so when he heard Goliath's defiance, he could say to Saul, "Your servant has been tending his father's sheep; and when a lion or a bear came and took a lamb from the flock, I would go out after it and strike it and deliver the lamb from its mouth. And when it rose up against me, I would seize it by its beard and strike it and kill it...Jehovah, who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, He will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine"—vv. 34-37.

1 Sam. 17:34 And David said to Saul, Your servant has been tending his father's sheep; and when a lion or a bear came and took a lamb from the flock,
1 Sam. 17:35 I would go out after it and strike it and deliver the lamb from its mouth. And when it rose up against me, I would seize it by its beard and strike it and kill it.
1 Sam. 17:36 Both the lion and the bear did your servant strike; and this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, for he has defied the ranks of the living God.
1 Sam. 17:37 And David said, Jehovah, who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, He will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said to David, Go, and may Jehovah be with you.

2. David told Goliath that "it is not by sword or spear that Jehovah saves, for the battle is Jehovah's and He will deliver you into our hand" (v. 47); David went forth to fight against Goliath (vv. 40-48) and killed him by slinging a stone into Goliath's forehead and beheading him with his own sword (vv. 49-54).

撒上 17:40 他手中拿杖，又在溪中爲自己挑選了五塊光滑的石子，放在袋裏，就是他所帶着牧人用的囊裏；手中拿着甩石的機弦，走近那非利士人。
撒上 17:41 那非利士人也漸漸的走近大衛，拿盾牌的走在他前頭。

撒上 17:42 那非利士人觀看，見了大衛，就藐視他；因爲他年輕，面色紅潤，容貌俊美。
撒上 17:43 那非利士人對大衛說，你拿杖到我這裏來，我豈是狗呢？那非利士人就指着自己的神咒詛大衛。
撒上 17:44 那非利士人又對大衛說，你來攻擊我罷，我要將你的肉給空中的飛鳥、田野的走獸喫。
撒上 17:45 大衛對那非利士人說，你來攻擊我，是靠着刀槍和銅戟；我來攻擊你，是在萬軍之耶和華，就是你所辱罵以色列軍陣之神的名裏。
撒上 17:46 今日耶和華必將你交在我手裏；我必殺你，取下你的頭。我又要將非利士軍兵的屍首給空中的飛鳥、地上的野獸喫。全地就必知道以色列中有神；
撒上 17:47 聚集在這裏的眾人也必知道耶和華施行拯救，不是用刀用槍，因爲爭戰的勝敗在於耶和華。祂必將你們交在我們手裏。
撒上 17:48 那非利士人起身，迎着大衛漸漸走近；大衛急忙迎着那非利士人，往戰陣跑去。
撒上 17:49 大衛伸手到囊中，掏出一塊石子來，用機弦甩去，打中那非利士人的額；石子進入額內，他就仆倒，面伏於地。

撒上 17:50 這樣，大衛用機弦和石子，勝了那非利士人，打死了他；大衛手中卻沒有刀。
撒上 17:51 大衛跑去，站在那非利士人身旁，將他的刀從鞘中拔出來，用刀割了他的頭，將他殺死。非利士人看見他們的勇士死了，就都逃跑。
撒上 17:52 以色列人和猶大人便起身吶喊，追趕非利士人，直到該，直到以革倫的城門。被殺的非利士人倒在往沙拉音的路上，直到迦特和以革倫。
撒上 17:53 以色列人追趕非利士人回來，就奪了他們的營盤。
撒上 17:54 大衛將那非利士人的頭拿到耶路撒冷，卻將他的軍裝放在自己的帳棚裏。

3 大衛勝過歌利亞，乃是神揀選並膏大衛的有力印證；從大衛的經歷，我們需要領悟，今天因着我們追求基督，我們環境中的每一面，都完全是在神主宰的手下—太十 29 ～ 31，詩三一 14 ～ 15 上，三九 9，羅八 28 ～ 29，賽四五 15。

太 10:29 兩隻麻雀不是賣一個銅錢麼？沒有你們父的許可，一隻也不會掉在地上。
太 10:30 就是連你們的頭髮，也都被數過了。

1 Sam. 17:40 Then he took his staff in his hand, and he chose for himself five smooth stones from the brook and put them into the shepherd's bag that he had, that is, in his pouch; and his sling was in his hand. And he drew near to the Philistine.
1 Sam. 17:41 And the Philistine came on and approached David, and the man who bore the shield was before him.
1 Sam. 17:42 And when the Philistine looked and saw David, he scorned him; for he was but a youth and ruddy and handsome in appearance.
1 Sam. 17:43 And the Philistine said to David, Am I a dog, that you come to me with staves? And the Philistine cursed David by his gods.
1 Sam. 17:44 And the Philistine said to David, Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of heaven and to the beasts of the field.
1 Sam. 17:45 Then David said to the Philistine, You come to me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come to you in the name of Jehovah of hosts, the God of the ranks of Israel, whom you have defied.
1 Sam. 17:46 On this day Jehovah will deliver you up into my hand, and I will strike you and remove your head from you. And I will give the corpses of the camp of the Philistines to the birds of heaven and to the animals of the earth on this day. And all the earth will know that there is a God in Israel;
1 Sam. 17:47 And all this congregation will know that it is not by sword or spear that Jehovah saves, for the battle is Jehovah's and He will deliver you into our hand.
1 Sam. 17:48 And when the Philistine rose up and came and drew near to meet David, David hurried and ran toward the battle line to meet the Philistine.
1 Sam. 17:49 And David put forth his hand into his bag and took a stone from there. And he slung it and struck the Philistine in his forehead. And the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the ground.
1 Sam. 17:50 Thus David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone, and struck the Philistine and killed him; but there was no sword in David's hand.
1 Sam. 17:51 Then David ran and stood beside the Philistine, and he took the Philistine's sword and drew it out of its sheath and made certain he was dead by striking off his head with it. And when the Philistines saw that their mighty man was dead, they fled.
1 Sam. 17:52 And the men of Israel and Judah rose up and shouted and pursued the Philistines until you come to Gai and to the gates of Ekron. And the Philistines lay slain along the way to Shaaraim as far as Gath and Ekron.
1 Sam. 17:53 And the children of Israel returned from chasing the Philistines, and they plundered their camps.
1 Sam. 17:54 And David took the head of the Philistine and brought it to Jerusalem, but he put his armor in his tent.

3. David's victory over Goliath was a strong confirmation to God's choosing and anointing of him; from David's experience, we need to realize that because we are pursuing Christ today, every aspect of our environment is absolutely under God's sovereign hand—Matt. 10:29-31; Psa. 31:14-15a; 39:9; Rom. 8:28-29; Isa. 45:15.

Matt. 10:29 Are not two sparrows sold for an assarion? And not one of them will fall to the earth apart from your Father.
Matt. 10:30 But even the hairs of your head are all numbered.

太 10:31 所以不要怕，你們比許多麻雀還貴重。
詩 31:14 耶和華阿，我仍舊信靠你；我說，你是我的神。
詩 31:15 我一生的事在你手中；求你救我脫離仇敵的手，和那些追逼我的人。
詩 39:9 因爲這是你所作的，我就閉口不語。
羅 8:28 還有，我們曉得萬有都互相効力，叫愛神的人得益處，就是按祂旨意被召的人。
羅 8:29 因爲神所豫知的人，祂也豫定他們模成神兒子的形像，使祂兒子在許多弟兄中作長子。
賽 45:15 救主以色列的神阿，你實在是自隱的神。

二在神主宰的權柄下，大衛被選爲侍候當時的王掃羅的人；因着這二人被擺在一起，掃羅被暴露爲反對神意願的人，大衛卻顯爲合乎神心的人—撒上十八 6～11 上：

撒上 18:6 大衛打死了那非利士人，同眾人回來的時候，婦女們從以色列各城裏出來，歌唱跳舞，打鼓、歡唱、彈琴，迎接掃羅王。
撒上 18:7 眾婦女舞蹈唱和，說，掃羅殺死千千，大衛殺死萬萬。

撒上 18:8 掃羅甚發怒，不喜悅這話，就說，她們將萬萬歸大衛，卻只將千千歸我；除了王位以外，還有甚麼沒有給他？

撒上 18:9 從那日起，掃羅就嫉視大衛。
撒上 18:10 次日，從神那裏來的惡靈衝擊掃羅，他就在家中胡言亂語。大衛照常用手彈琴，掃羅手裏拿着槍。

撒上 18:11 掃羅把槍一掄，心裏說，我要將大衛刺透，釘在牆上。大衛躲避了他兩次。

1 大衛在他與掃羅的關係上受試驗；這意思是說，大衛一直被放在十字架上；掃羅無論差遣大衛作甚麼，大衛都作事精明，所以掃羅就立他作戰士長；一次大衛擊打了非利士人回來，婦女們從以色列各城裏出來，唱和說，『掃羅殺死千千，大衛殺死萬萬』—5～7 節。

撒上 18:5 掃羅無論差遣大衛往何處，他都前去，並且作事精明。掃羅就立他作戰士長，眾百姓和掃羅的臣僕都看爲美。

撒上 18:6 大衛打死了那非利士人，同眾人回來的時候，婦女們從以色列各城裏出來，歌唱跳舞，打鼓、歡唱、彈琴，迎接掃羅王。

Matt. 10:31 Therefore do not fear; you are of more value than many sparrows.
Psa. 31:14 But I trust in You, O Jehovah; / I say, You are my God.
Psa. 31:15 My times are in Your hand; / Deliver me from the hand of my enemies and from those who pursue me.
Psa. 39:9 I was dumb; I did not open my mouth; / For You have done this.
Rom. 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.
Rom. 8:29 Because those whom He foreknew, He also predestinated to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the Firstborn among many brothers;
Isa. 45:15 Surely You are a God who hides Himself, / O God of Israel, the Savior.

B. David, under God's sovereignty, was selected to be an attendant of Saul, the present king; by these two being put together, Saul was exposed as being a person who was opposite to God's will, and David was manifested to be a man according to God's heart—1 Sam. 18:6-11a:

1 Sam. 18:6 But when the men came home, as David returned from striking the Philistines, the women came out of all the towns of Israel singing and dancing to meet Saul the king, with tambourines and joyful songs and stringed instruments.
1 Sam. 18:7 And the women sang to one another as they played, and they said, Saul has struck down his thousands; / But David, his ten thousands.
1 Sam. 18:8 And Saul was very angry, for this saying displeased him. And he said, They ascribe ten thousands to David, but to me they ascribe only thousands. And what more can he have except the kingdom?
1 Sam. 18:9 So Saul eyed David from that day on.
1 Sam. 18:10 Then on the next day an evil spirit from God rushed upon Saul; and he prophesied in the midst of the house while David played the lyre by hand, as he had day by day. And the spear was in Saul's hand.
1 Sam. 18:11 Then Saul threw the spear; for he said, I will strike David even to the wall. But David fled from him twice.

1. For David to be tested in his relationship with Saul meant that David was continually put on the cross; on every mission that Saul sent him, David acted prudently, so Saul set him over the men of battle; once when David returned from striking the Philistines, the women came out of all the towns of Israel, and they sang to one another—"Saul has struck down his thousands; / But David, his ten thousands"—vv. 5-7.

1 Sam. 18:5 And David went forth; on every mission that Saul sent him he acted prudently. Therefore Saul set him over the men of battle, and it was good in the sight of all the people and also in the sight of Saul's servants.
1 Sam. 18:6 But when the men came home, as David returned from striking the Philistines, the women came out of all the towns of Israel singing and dancing to meet Saul the king, with tambourines and joyful songs and stringed instruments.

撒上 18:7 眾婦女舞蹈唱和，說，掃羅殺死千千，大衛殺死萬萬。

2 這個稱讚沒有摸着大衛，卻摸着了掃羅；所羅門說，『人的稱讚…試煉人；』（箴二七 21；）掃羅發怒，並且嫉妒大衛，表明他這人全然在肉體裏，完全爲着自己；從那天起，掃羅定意要殺大衛，大衛無處藏身；掃羅從嫉妒大衛，到圖謀如何殺他，又不破壞自己的名譽—撒上十八 10 ～二十 42。

箴 27:21 鼎爲煉銀，爐爲煉金，人的稱讚也試煉人。
撒上 18:10 次日，從神那裏來的惡靈衝擊掃羅，他就在家中胡言亂語。大衛照常用手彈琴，掃羅手裏拿着槍。

撒上 18:11 掃羅把槍一掄，心裏說，我要將大衛刺透，釘在牆上。大衛躲避了他兩次。
撒上 18:12 掃羅懼怕大衛，因爲耶和華與大衛同在，卻離開了掃羅。
撒上 18:13 所以掃羅使大衛離開自己，立他爲千夫長，他就率民出入。
撒上 18:14 大衛所行的無不精明，耶和華也與他同在。
撒上 18:15 掃羅見大衛作事極其精明，就懼怕他。
撒上 18:16 但全以色列和猶大的人都愛大衛，因爲他領他們出入。
撒上 18:17 掃羅對大衛說，看哪，我將大女兒米拉給你爲妻，只要你爲我奮勇，爲耶和華爭戰。掃羅心裏說，我不好親手害他，讓非利士人下手害他罷。
撒上 18:18 大衛對掃羅說，我是誰，我是甚麼出身，我父家在以色列中是何等的家，豈敢作王的女婿呢？
撒上 18:19 掃羅的女兒米拉到了當給大衛的時候，掃羅卻把她給了米何拉人亞得列爲妻。
撒上 18:20 掃羅的次女米甲愛大衛；有人告訴掃羅，掃羅就喜悅。
撒上 18:21 掃羅心裏說，我要將這女兒給大衛，作他的網羅，好讓非利士人下手害他。所以掃羅對大衛說，你今日可以第二次作我的女婿。
撒上 18:22 掃羅吩咐臣僕說，你們暗中對大衛說，看哪，王喜悅你，王的臣僕也都喜愛你，所以你當作王的女婿。
撒上 18:23 掃羅的臣僕就把這些話說給大衛聽。大衛說，你們以爲作王的女婿是輕微的事麼？我是貧窮卑微的人。
撒上 18:24 掃羅的臣僕告訴他說，大衛所說的如此如此。
撒上 18:25 掃羅說，你們要對大衛這樣說，王不要甚麼聘禮，只要一百非利士人的陽皮，好在王的仇敵身上報仇。原來掃羅圖謀要使大衛喪在非利士人的手裏。
撒上 18:26 掃羅的臣僕將這些話告訴大衛，大衛就歡喜作王的女婿。日期還沒有滿，
撒上 18:27 大衛和跟隨他的人起身前往，擊殺了二百非利士人，將他們的陽皮帶來，滿數交給王，爲要作王的女婿。於是掃

1 Sam. 18:7 And the women sang to one another as they played, and they said, Saul has struck down his thousands; / But David, his ten thousands.

2. This praise did not affect David, but it affected Saul; Solomon said, "A man is tried by the praise given him" (Prov. 27:21); Saul became very angry and envious of David, showing that he was a person fully in the flesh and absolutely for himself; from that day on, Saul decided to kill David, and David had no place to hide; Saul went from being envious of David to plotting how he might kill him without damaging his own name—1 Sam. 18:10—20:42.

Prov. 27:21 The refining pot is for silver and the furnace for gold, / And a man is tried by the praise given him.
1 Sam. 18:10 Then on the next day an evil spirit from God rushed upon Saul; and he prophesied in the midst of the house while David played the lyre by hand, as he had day by day. And the spear was in Saul's hand.
1 Sam. 18:11 Then Saul threw the spear; for he said, I will strike David even to the wall. But David fled from him twice.
1 Sam. 18:12 And Saul was afraid of David, for Jehovah was with him and had departed from Saul.
1 Sam. 18:13 So Saul removed him from being with him and made him the captain of a thousand. And he went out and came in before the people.
1 Sam. 18:14 And David acted prudently in all his campaigns, and Jehovah was with him.
1 Sam. 18:15 And when Saul saw that he acted very prudently, he stood in awe of him.
1 Sam. 18:16 And all Israel and Judah loved David, for he went out and came in before them.
1 Sam. 18:17 And Saul said to David, See, my oldest daughter Merab I will give to you as wife; only be valiant for me and fight Jehovah's battles. For Saul said, Let not my hand be upon him, but let the hand of the Philistines be upon him.
1 Sam. 18:18 And David said to Saul, Who am I, and what is my life or my father's family in Israel, that I should be a son-in-law to the king?
1 Sam. 18:19 But at the time when Merab the daughter of Saul was to be given to David, she was given to Adriel the Meholathite as wife.
1 Sam. 18:20 Now Michal the daughter of Saul loved David, and it was told Saul; and the matter pleased him.
1 Sam. 18:21 And Saul said, I will give her to him that she may be a snare to him and that the hand of the Philistines may be upon him. Therefore Saul said to David, For the second time, you may be my son-in-law today.
1 Sam. 18:22 Then Saul commanded his servants, Speak to David privately, saying, See, the king is pleased with you, and all his servants love you. So now become the king's son-in-law.
1 Sam. 18:23 And Saul's servants spoke these words in David's ears. And David said, Is it such a light thing in your sight for me to become a son-in-law to the king, since I am a poor man and lightly esteemed?
1 Sam. 18:24 And Saul's servants told him, saying, This is what David said.
1 Sam. 18:25 Then Saul said, Thus shall you say to David, The king has no desire for a dowry but for a hundred Philistine foreskins, that he may be avenged of the king's enemies. For Saul planned to have David fall by the hand of the Philistines.
1 Sam. 18:26 So when his servants told David these things, David was pleased to become the king's son-in-law. And when the time had not yet expired,
1 Sam. 18:27 David rose up and went, he and his men; and he struck down two hundred Philistine men. And David brought their foreskins, and they gave them in full number to the king, that he might

羅將女兒米甲給大衛爲妻。
撒上 18:28 掃羅看見且知道耶和華與大衛同在；掃羅的女兒米甲也愛大衛。
撒上 18:29 掃羅就更怕大衛，從此一直作大衛的仇敵。
撒上 18:30 非利士人的軍長出來打仗；每逢他們出來時，大衛總比掃羅的眾臣僕作事更精明，因此他的名極受尊重。
撒上 19:1 掃羅對他兒子約拿單和眾臣僕說，要殺大衛；掃羅的兒子約拿單卻甚喜愛大衛。
撒上 19:2 約拿單告訴大衛說，我父親掃羅想要殺你，所以明日早晨你要小心，留在隱密的地方，躲藏起來。
撒上 19:3 我就出到你躲藏的田裏，站在我父親旁邊，與他談論你的事；我看看情形怎樣，就必告訴你。
撒上 19:4 約拿單向他父親掃羅說大衛的好話，說，王不可得罪王的僕人大衛，因爲他未曾得罪你，他所行的都與你大有益處。

撒上 19:5 他不顧性命殺那非利士人，耶和華就爲全以色列大行拯救；那時你看見，也很歡喜，現在爲何無故要殺大衛，犯流無辜人之血的罪呢？
撒上 19:6 掃羅聽了約拿單的話，就起誓說，我指着永活的耶和華起誓，他必不至被處死。
撒上 19:7 約拿單叫大衛來，把這一切事告訴他，約拿單帶大衛去見掃羅，他就和以前一樣，侍立在掃羅面前。
撒上 19:8 此後又有爭戰的事。大衛出去與非利士人打仗，大大殺敗他們，他們就從他面前逃跑。
撒上 19:9 從耶和華那裏來的惡靈又降在掃羅身上；掃羅手裏拿槍坐在屋裏，大衛正用手彈琴。
撒上 19:10 掃羅用槍想要刺透大衛，釘在牆上；他卻從掃羅面前躲開，掃羅的槍刺入牆內。當夜大衛逃走躲避了。
撒上 19:11 掃羅打發使者去大衛的房屋那裏窺探他，要在第二天早晨殺他。大衛的妻子米甲對他說，你今夜若不逃命，明日你要被殺。
撒上 19:12 於是米甲將大衛從窗戶裏縋下去；大衛就離去，逃走躲避了。
撒上 19:13 米甲把家中的神像放在牀上，把山羊毛織的網子放在像的頭上，用衣服遮蓋。
撒上 19:14 掃羅打發使者去捉拿大衛，米甲說，他病了。
撒上 19:15 掃羅又打發使者去看大衛，說，當連牀將他抬上我這裏來，我好殺他。
撒上 19:16 使者進去，看見牀上有神像，頭上有山羊毛織的網子。

撒上 19:17 掃羅對米甲說，你爲甚麼這樣欺哄我，放走我的仇敵，使他逃脫呢？米甲對掃羅說，他對我說，你放我走，何必要我殺你呢？
撒上 19:18 大衛逃走脫身，來到拉瑪見撒母耳，將掃羅向他所行的事都述說了。他和撒母耳就往拿約去居住。
撒上 19:19 有人告訴掃羅說，大衛在拉瑪的拿約。
撒上 19:20 掃羅打發使者去捉拿大衛。去的人見有一班申言者正在

become the king's son-in-law. And Saul gave him Michal his daughter as wife.
1 Sam. 18:28 And Saul saw and knew that Jehovah was with David. And Michal the daughter of Saul loved him.
1 Sam. 18:29 And Saul was even more afraid of David, and Saul was David's enemy from then on.
1 Sam. 18:30 Then the princes of the Philistines went forth; and as often as they went forth, David succeeded more than all the servants of Saul. So his name was very highly esteemed.
1 Sam. 19:1 And Saul told Jonathan his son and all his servants to kill David. But Jonathan, Saul's son, took great delight in David.
1 Sam. 19:2 And Jonathan told David, saying, Saul my father is seeking to kill you. Now therefore be on guard in the morning, and stay in some secret place, and hide yourself.
1 Sam. 19:3 And I will go out and stand by my father's side in the field where you are. And I will speak about you to my father; and if I learn anything, I will tell you.
1 Sam. 19:4 So Jonathan spoke well about David to Saul his father and said to him, May the king not sin against his servant David, because he has not sinned against you, and because his deeds have been very good for you.
1 Sam. 19:5 For he risked his life when he struck down the Philistine, and Jehovah accomplished a great salvation for all Israel. You saw it and rejoiced. Why then will you sin against innocent blood by having David killed without cause?
1 Sam. 19:6 And Saul listened to the voice of Jonathan; and Saul swore, As Jehovah lives, he shall not be put to death.
1 Sam. 19:7 Then Jonathan called David, and Jonathan told him all these things. And Jonathan brought David to Saul, and he was in his presence as before.
1 Sam. 19:8 And there was war again. And David went out and fought against the Philistines. And he struck them with a great slaughter, and they fled from before him.
1 Sam. 19:9 Then there came an evil spirit from Jehovah upon Saul, and he sat in his house with his spear in his hand while David played the lyre by hand.
1 Sam. 19:10 And Saul sought to strike David even to the wall with the spear, but he slipped away from Saul's presence. And Saul struck the wall with his spear, but David fled and escaped that night.
1 Sam. 19:11 Then Saul sent messengers to David's house to watch him and kill him in the morning. And Michal, David's wife, told him, saying, If you do not save your life tonight, in the morning you will be killed.
1 Sam. 19:12 So Michal let David down through the window, and he went away and fled and escaped.
1 Sam. 19:13 Then Michal took the teraphim and laid it in the bed. And she put a net of goats' hair on its head and covered it with clothing.
1 Sam. 19:14 And when Saul sent messengers to take David, she said, He is sick.
1 Sam. 19:15 And Saul sent the messengers to see David, saying, Bring him up to me on his bed that I may kill him.
1 Sam. 19:16 And when the messengers went in, there was the teraphim in the bed with a net of goats' hair on its head.
1 Sam. 19:17 Then Saul said to Michal, Why have you deceived me like this and let my enemy go so that he has slipped away? And Michal said to Saul, He said to me, Let me go; why should I kill you?

1 Sam. 19:18 So David fled and slipped away and came to Samuel at Ramah, and he told him all that Saul had done to him. And he and Samuel went and dwelt at Naioth.
1 Sam. 19:19 Then it was told Saul, saying, David is now at Naioth in Ramah.
1 Sam. 19:20 So Saul sent messengers to seize David; and when they saw the company of prophets

申言，撒母耳站着監管他們；神的靈臨到掃羅的使者身上，他們就也申言。

撒上 19:21 有人將這事告訴掃羅，他又打發別的使者去，他們也申言。掃羅第三次再打發使者去，他們也申言。

撒上 19:22 然後掃羅自己也往拉瑪去，到了西沽的大井，問人說，撒母耳和大衛在那裏？有人說，在拉瑪的拿約。

撒上 19:23 他就往拉瑪的拿約去。神的靈也臨到他身上，他就一面走一面申言，直到拉瑪的拿約。

撒上 19:24 他也脫了衣服，並且在撒母耳面前申言，那一晝一夜露體躺臥。因此有話說，掃羅也列在申言者中間麼？

撒上 20:1 大衛從拉瑪的拿約逃跑，來到約拿單面前，說，我作了甚麼？我有甚麼罪孽，在你父親面前犯了甚麼罪，他竟尋索我的性命呢？

撒上 20:2 約拿單對他說，斷然不是！你絕不至於死。我父親作事，無論大小，沒有不叫我知道的。怎麼獨有這事隱瞞我呢？事情絕不會如此。

撒上 20:3 大衛又起誓說，你父親準知我在你眼前蒙恩；所以他心裏說，不如不叫約拿單知道這事，恐怕他愁煩。但我確實指着永活的耶和華起誓，又指着你的性命起誓，我離死不過一步。

撒上 20:4 約拿單對大衛說，凡你心裏所求的，我必爲你成就。

撒上 20:5 大衛對約拿單說，明日是初一，我當與王同席，求你讓我去藏在田野，直到後天晚上。

撒上 20:6 你父親若察覺我不在，你就說，大衛切求我許他趕回自己的城伯利恆去，因爲他全家在那裏獻年祭。

撒上 20:7 你父親若這樣說，好；你僕人就平安了。他若大大發怒，你就知道他決意要害我。

撒上 20:8 求你以恩慈待你僕人，因你已經帶你僕人在耶和華面前與你結盟。我若有罪孽，不如你自己殺我，何必將我帶到你父親那裏呢？

撒上 20:9 約拿單說，這事絕不至臨到你！我若知道我父親決意害你，我豈不告訴你麼？

撒上 20:10 大衛對約拿單說，你父親若用嚴厲的話回答你，誰來告訴我呢？

撒上 20:11 約拿單對大衛說，來，我們往田野去罷。二人就往田野去了。

撒上 20:12 約拿單對大衛說，願耶和華以色列的神爲證。明日約在這時候，或後天，我探我父親的意思，若向你有好意，我就必打發人告訴你。

撒上 20:13 我父親若有意害你，而我不告訴你，使你平平安安的走，願耶和華重重的降罰與我。願耶和華與你同在，如同從前與我父親同在一樣。

撒上 20:14 我活着的時候，你要以耶和華的慈愛待我，免我死亡；

撒上 20:15 就是我死後，耶和華從地上剪除你每一個仇敵的時候，你也永不可向我家絕了慈愛。

撒上 20:16 於是約拿單與大衛家結盟，說，願耶和華藉大衛仇敵的手追討背約的罪。

prophesying and Samuel standing and presiding over them, the Spirit of God came upon Saul's messengers, and they also prophesied.

1 Sam. 19:21 And it was told Saul, and he sent other messengers, and they also prophesied. And Saul again sent messengers the third time, and they also prophesied.

1 Sam. 19:22 Then he himself went to Ramah. And he came to the great well that is in Secu; and he asked and said, Where are Samuel and David? And someone said, They are now at Naioth in Ramah.

1 Sam. 19:23 So he went there, toward Naioth in Ramah. And the Spirit of God came upon him as well, and he went on and prophesied until he came to Naioth in Ramah.

1 Sam. 19:24 And he also stripped off his clothes and also prophesied before Samuel, and he lay naked all that day and all that night. Therefore they say, Is Saul also among the prophets?

1 Sam. 20:1 Then David fled from Naioth in Ramah and came and said to Jonathan, What have I done? What is my iniquity, or what is my sin before your father, that he is seeking my life?

1 Sam. 20:2 And he said to him, Far from it! You shall not die. My father does nothing great or small that he does not disclose to me. So why should my father hide this matter from me? Such would not happen.

1 Sam. 20:3 Then David swore again and said, Your father fully knows that I have found favor in your sight; so he says, Do not let Jonathan know about this; otherwise, he will be grieved. But truly as Jehovah lives and as your soul lives, there is but a step between me and death.

1 Sam. 20:4 And Jonathan said to David, Whatever you say, I will do for you.

1 Sam. 20:5 And David said to Jonathan, It is the new moon tomorrow, and I am to sit with the king at the meal. But let me go, and I will hide myself in the field until the following evening.

1 Sam. 20:6 If your father misses me at all, you shall say, David earnestly asked leave of me to run to Bethlehem his city, for it is the yearly sacrifice there for all his family.

1 Sam. 20:7 If he says in this way, Fine; then your servant will have peace. But if he becomes angry at all, know that evil has been determined by him.

1 Sam. 20:8 Deal kindly then with your servant, for you have brought your servant into a covenant of Jehovah with you. But if there is any iniquity in me, you kill me. Why then should you bring me to your father?

1 Sam. 20:9 And Jonathan said, Far be it from you! For if I knew at all that evil has been determined by my father to come upon you, would I not tell it to you?

1 Sam. 20:10 Then David said to Jonathan, Who will tell me whether or not your father has responded to you harshly?

1 Sam. 20:11 And Jonathan said to David, Come and let us go out into the field. And they both went out into the field.

1 Sam. 20:12 And Jonathan said to David, By Jehovah, the God of Israel: When I search out my father about this time tomorrow, or on the following day, and if he is good toward David, I will surely send word to you and disclose it to you.

1 Sam. 20:13 May Jehovah do so to Jonathan, and even more, if it pleases my father to do you evil, and I do not disclose it to you and send you away to go in peace. And may Jehovah be with you as He was with my father.

1 Sam. 20:14 And while I am still alive, do show me the lovingkindness of Jehovah, that I may not die;

1 Sam. 20:15 And never cut off your lovingkindness from my house, not even when Jehovah has cut off David's enemies to the man from the face of the earth.

1 Sam. 20:16 So Jonathan made a covenant with the house of David, saying, And Jehovah will require it at the hand of David's enemies.

撒上 20:17 約拿單因着對大衛的愛，就使大衛再起誓，因他愛大衛如同愛自己的性命。
撒上 20:18 約拿單對他說，明日是初一，你的座位空着，人必察覺你不在。
撒上 20:19 你等三日，就要速速下去，到你從前遇事藏身的地方，留在以色石頭那裏。
撒上 20:20 我要向石頭旁邊射三箭，如同射箭靶一樣。
撒上 20:21 我要打發僮僕，說，去把箭找來。我若對僮僕說，看哪，箭在你後頭，把箭拿來；你就可以回來；我指着永活的耶和華起誓，你必平安無事。
撒上 20:22 我若這樣對童子說，看哪，箭在你前頭；你就要去，因爲是耶和華打發你去的。
撒上 20:23 至於你我今日所說的話，有耶和華在你我中間爲證，直到永遠。
撒上 20:24 大衛就去藏在田野。到了初一日，王坐席要喫飯。
撒上 20:25 王照常坐在他的座位，就是靠牆的座位上，約拿單起身而立，押尼珥坐在掃羅旁邊，大衛的席位空着。
撒上 20:26 然而那日掃羅沒有說甚麼，他想大衛遇事以致不潔，他必定是不潔。
撒上 20:27 次日，就是初二日，大衛的席位還空着。掃羅對他兒子約拿單說，耶西的兒子爲何昨日、今日都沒有來喫飯？
撒上 20:28 約拿單回答掃羅說，大衛切求我許他往伯利恆去。
撒上 20:29 他說，求你讓我去，因爲我們家族在那城裏有獻祭的事；我兄長吩咐我去。如今我若在你眼前蒙恩，求你讓我脫身去見我的弟兄。因此，大衛沒有赴王的席。
撒上 20:30 掃羅向約拿單發怒，對他說，你這邪僻悖逆之婦人的兒子！我豈不知道你選擇耶西的兒子，自取羞辱，並且使你母親露體蒙羞麼？
撒上 20:31 耶西的兒子若在地上活着，你和你的國必站立不住。現在你要打發人去，將他捉拿交給我；他是該死的。
撒上 20:32 約拿單回答他父親掃羅說，他爲甚麼該被處死？他作了甚麼呢？
撒上 20:33 掃羅向約拿單掄槍要刺他，約拿單就知道他父親決意要殺大衛。
撒上 20:34 於是約拿單氣忿忿的從席上起來，在這初二日沒有喫飯；他因見父親羞辱大衛，就爲大衛愁煩。
撒上 20:35 到了次日早晨，約拿單按着與大衛約定的時候出到田野，有一個小僮僕跟着他。
撒上 20:36 約拿單對僮僕說，你跑去，把我所射的箭找來。僮僕跑去，約拿單就把箭射在僮僕前頭。
撒上 20:37 僮僕到了約拿單落箭之地，約拿單在僮僕後面呼叫說，箭不是在你前頭麼？
撒上 20:38 約拿單又在僮僕後面呼叫說，速速的去，不要停留。約拿單的僮僕就把箭拾起，來到主人那裏。
撒上 20:39 僮僕一點也不知道這是甚麼意思，只有約拿單和大衛知道。

1 Sam. 20:17 And Jonathan made David swear again by his love for him, for he loved him as he loved his own soul.
1 Sam. 20:18 Then Jonathan said to him, Tomorrow is the new moon; and you will be missed, for your seat will be empty.
1 Sam. 20:19 And when you have waited three days, you shall go far down and come to the place where you hid yourself while all this was happening; and you shall remain at the stone Ezel.
1 Sam. 20:20 And I will shoot three arrows to its side, as though I were shooting at a mark.
1 Sam. 20:21 And just then I will send a boy, saying, Go; find the arrows. If I say to the boy, The arrows are there to this side of you; gather them; then come, for you have peace and there is no problem, as Jehovah lives.
1 Sam. 20:22 But if I speak in this way to the young man, The arrows are there beyond you; then go, for Jehovah has sent you away.
1 Sam. 20:23 And concerning this matter that I and you have spoken of, it is Jehovah who is between me and you forever.
1 Sam. 20:24 So David hid himself in the field. And when the new moon came, the king sat at the meal to eat.
1 Sam. 20:25 And the king sat on his seat as at other times, on his seat near the wall; and Jonathan rose up, and Abner sat down beside Saul, but David's place was empty.
1 Sam. 20:26 But Saul said nothing that day about it, for he thought, Something has happened to him; he is not clean; surely he is not clean.
1 Sam. 20:27 And on the day after the new moon, the second day, David's place was empty. And Saul said to Jonathan his son, Why has the son of Jesse come neither yesterday nor today to the meal?
1 Sam. 20:28 And Jonathan answered Saul, David asked leave of me earnestly to go to Bethlehem.
1 Sam. 20:29 And he said, Let me go, I beg you; for our family has a sacrifice in that city, and my brother commanded me to be there. So now if I have found favor in your sight, let me slip away to see my brothers. Therefore he has not come to the king's table.
1 Sam. 20:30 And Saul's anger burned against Jonathan, and he said to him, You son of a perverse, rebellious woman! Do I not know that you have chosen the son of Jesse to your own shame and to the shame of your mother's nakedness?
1 Sam. 20:31 For as long as the son of Jesse is alive on the earth, you and your kingdom will not be established. Now therefore send someone and bring him to me, for he is as good as dead.
1 Sam. 20:32 And Jonathan answered Saul his father and said to him, Why must he be put to death? What has he done?
1 Sam. 20:33 But Saul threw his spear at him in order to strike him down. So Jonathan knew that it was determined by his father to put David to death.
1 Sam. 20:34 And Jonathan rose up from the table in burning anger and did not eat any food on the second day of the new moon, for he was grieved about David because his father had shamed him.
1 Sam. 20:35 Then in the morning Jonathan went forth to the field for the appointment with David, and a small boy was with him.
1 Sam. 20:36 And he said to his boy, Run and find the arrows that I am shooting. While the boy was running, he shot the arrow beyond him.
1 Sam. 20:37 And when the boy came to the place of the arrow that Jonathan had shot, Jonathan called out after the boy and said, The arrow is there beyond you.
1 Sam. 20:38 And Jonathan called out to the boy, Hurry up quickly; do not stay there. And Jonathan's boy gathered the arrows and came to his master.
1 Sam. 20:39 And the boy knew nothing; only Jonathan and David knew the matter.

撒上 20:40 約拿單將他的器械交給僮僕，對他說，你拿到城裏去罷。
撒上 20:41 僮僕一去，大衛就從那石頭南邊藏身之處出來，面伏於地，拜了三拜；二人彼此親嘴，相對哭泣，大衛哭得更慟。

撒上 20:42 約拿單對大衛說，你平平安安的去罷，因爲我們二人曾在耶和華的名裏起誓說，願耶和華在你我中間，並你我的後裔中間爲證，直到永遠。大衛就起身走了，約拿單也往城裏去了。

3 當掃羅企圖殺大衛時，大衛沒有抵抗或作甚麼來爲自己報復；他只是躲避；報復和抵抗都是肉體的事；那些行肉體之事的人無分於神的國—十八 11，參羅十二 19，弗四 26，加五 21，24。

撒上 18:11 掃羅把槍一掄，心裏說，我要將大衛刺透，釘在牆上。大衛躲避了他兩次。
羅 12:19 親愛的，不要爲自己伸冤，寧可給神的忿怒留地步，因爲經上記着：『主說，伸冤在我，我必報應。』
弗 4:26 生氣卻不要犯罪，不可含怒到日落，
加 5:21 嫉妒、醉酒、荒宴以及類似的事；關於這些事，我現在事先告訴你們，正如我先前說過的：行這樣事的人，必不得承受神的國。
加 5:24 但那屬基督耶穌的人，是已經把肉體連肉體的邪情私慾，都釘了十字架。

4 大衛是從心裏認識神的權柄的人；在撒母耳記上我們看見，掃羅在曠野追殺大衛；大衛有機會殺掃羅，但大衛敬畏神，不敢推翻神所安排的神聖等次—十八 6 ～二六 25。

撒上十八 6 ～二六 25（畧）

5 大衛若背叛掃羅，就會對百姓成爲背叛神所命定、設立之王的先例；大衛的態度乃是拒絕自己，服在神的權柄之下。

6 掃羅不順從神，被神棄絕，這是掃羅和神之間的事；大衛服從神的受膏者，這是大衛向神負責的事—二四 4 ～ 6，二六 9，11，撒下一 9 ～ 16。

撒上 24:4 跟隨大衛的人對他說，耶和華曾對你說，我要將你的仇敵交在你手裏，你可以照你看爲好的待他；如今那日子到了。大衛就起來，悄悄的割下掃羅外袍的衣邊。
撒上 24:5 隨後大衛心中自責，因爲割下掃羅的衣邊；

1 Sam. 20:40 Then Jonathan gave his equipment to his boy and said to him, Go; bring them to the city.
1 Sam. 20:41 And when the boy went, David rose up from his hiding place toward the south and fell on his face to the ground; and he bowed himself three times. And they kissed each other; and they wept for each other, but David more greatly.
1 Sam. 20:42 And Jonathan said to David, Go in peace, because both of us have sworn in the name of Jehovah, saying, May Jehovah be between me and you and between my seed and your seed forever. Then David rose up and left, and Jonathan went into the city.

3. When Saul attempted to kill him, David did not fight or do anything to avenge himself; he only fled; avenging and fighting back are matters of the flesh, and those who practice the things of the flesh have no share in the kingdom of God—18:11; cf. Rom. 12:19; Eph. 4:26; Gal. 5:21, 24.

1 Sam. 18:11 Then Saul threw the spear; for he said, I will strike David even to the wall. But David fled from him twice.
Rom. 12:19 Do not avenge yourselves, beloved, but give place to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay, says the Lord."
Eph. 4:26 Be angry, yet do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your indignation,
Gal. 5:21 Envyings, bouts of drunkenness, carousings, and things like these, of which I tell you beforehand, even as I have said before, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.
Gal. 5:24 But they who are of Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and its lusts.

4. David was one who knew God's authority from his heart; in 1 Samuel we see Saul chasing David in the wilderness in order to kill him; David had the opportunity to kill Saul, but he feared God and did not dare to overthrow the divine order arranged by God—18:6—26:25.

1 Sam. 18:6—26:25 (omitted)

5. If David had rebelled against Saul, he would have been to the people an example of rebellion against the God-ordained, appointed king; David's attitude was that of denying the self and submitting to God's authority.

6. Saul had been disobedient to God and was rejected by God, but this was something between Saul and God; as for David, he submitted to God's anointed, and this was his responsibility before God—24:4-6; 26:9, 11; 2 Sam. 1:9-16.

1 Sam. 24:4 And David's men said to him, The day is here of which Jehovah said to you, I am about to give your enemy into your hand. Do then to him according to what seems good in your sight. So David rose up and cut off a corner of Saul's cloak without being noticed.
1 Sam. 24:5 But afterward David's heart smote him because he had cut off a corner of Saul's cloak.

撒上 24:6 他對跟隨他的人說，我的主乃是耶和華的受膏者，我在耶和華面前萬不敢作這樣伸手害他的事，因他是耶和華的受膏者。
撒上 26:9 大衛對亞比篩說，不可殺害他；有誰伸手害耶和華的受膏者而無罪呢？
撒上 26:11 我在耶和華面前，萬不敢伸手害耶和華的受膏者。現在你可以將他頭旁的槍和水瓶拿來，我們就走。
撒下 1:9 他說，請站到我身邊來，將我殺死；因爲痛苦抓住了我，但我的生命尚存。
撒下 1:10 我知道他仆倒後必不能活，就去站在他身邊，將他殺死，把他頭上的冠冕、臂上的鐲子取下，拿到我主這裏。

撒下 1:11 大衛就把自己的衣服撕裂，跟隨他的眾人也都如此。
撒下 1:12 他們爲掃羅和他兒子約拿單，爲耶和華的民，並爲以色列家，悲哀哭號，禁食到晚上，因爲這些人都倒在刀下了。
撒下 1:13 大衛問報信的少年人說，你是那裏的人？他說，我是亞瑪力寄居者的兒子。
撒下 1:14 大衛說，你伸手殺害耶和華的受膏者，怎麼不畏懼呢？

撒下 1:15 大衛叫了一個少年人來，說，你近前來殺他罷。那少年人擊殺他，他就死了。
撒下 1:16 大衛對他說，流你血的罪歸到你自己的頭上，因爲你親口指證說，我殺了耶和華的受膏者。

7 如果有人願意付代價經歷十字架的破碎，活在十字架下，認識並對付天然的生命和個性，治死肉體，在神面前否認己，他們就必定會認識神的權柄，並且能帶進神的權柄—這是基本的原則。

8 按照新約的領會，大衛在任何情況下，每天都背十字架；腓立比三章十節指明，我們背十字架的力量，乃是基督復活的大能；基督已經進到我們裏面，活在我們裏面，在我們裏面背十字架—參歌二 8 ～ 9，14。

歌 2:8 聽阿，是我良人的聲音；看哪，他躍山越嶺而來。
歌 2:9 我的良人好像羚羊，或像小牡鹿。他站在我們牆壁後，從窗戶往裏觀看，從窗櫺往裏探視。
歌 2:14 我的鴿子阿，你在磐石穴中，在陡巖的隱密處，求你讓我得見你的面貌，得聽你的聲音；因爲你的聲音甘甜，你的面貌秀美。

9 大衛學十字架的功課時，也享受了神藉着約拿單和

1 Sam. 24:6 And he said to his men, Jehovah forbid that I should do such a thing to my lord, Jehovah's anointed, as stretch out my hand against him; for he is Jehovah's anointed.
1 Sam. 26:9 But David said to Abishai, Do not destroy him; for who can stretch out his hand against Jehovah's anointed and be guiltless?
1 Sam. 26:11 Jehovah forbid that I should stretch out my hand against Jehovah's anointed. Now therefore take the spear that is by his head and the water jug, and let us go.
2 Sam. 1:9 Then he said to me, Stand over me, and kill me; for anguish has seized me because my life is yet wholly within me.
2 Sam. 1:10 So I stood over him and put him to death, for I knew that he would not live after his fall; and I took the crown that was upon his head and the armlet that was on his arm, and I have brought them to my lord here.
2 Sam. 1:11 Then David took hold of his clothes and tore them, as did all the men who were with him.
2 Sam. 1:12 And they mourned and wept and fasted until evening for Saul and for Jonathan his son and for the people of Jehovah and for the house of Israel, because they had fallen by the sword.
2 Sam. 1:13 And David said to the young man who told him these things, Where are you from? And he said, I am the son of an Amalekite stranger.
2 Sam. 1:14 And David said to him, How is it that you were not afraid to stretch out your hand to destroy Jehovah's anointed?
2 Sam. 1:15 Then David called one of the young men and said, Come near; fall on him. And he struck him, and he died.
2 Sam. 1:16 And David said to him, Your blood be upon your head, for your mouth has testified against you, saying, I have killed Jehovah's anointed.

7. If some will pay the price to experience the breaking of the cross by living under the cross, know and deal with their natural life and disposition, put to death the flesh, and deny themselves before God, they will certainly know God's authority and be able to bring in God's authority—this is a basic principle.

8. According to the realization of the New Testament, David bore the cross every day under any kind of situation; Philippians 3:10 indicates that the strength for us to bear the cross is the power of Christ's resurrection; Christ has come into us to live in us and to bear the cross within us—cf. S. S. 2:8-9, 14.

S.S. 2:8 The voice of my beloved! Now he comes, / Leaping upon the mountains, / Skipping upon the hills.
S.S. 2:9 My beloved is like a gazelle or a young hart. / Now he stands behind our wall; / He is looking through the windows, / He is glancing through the lattice.
S.S. 2:14 My dove, in the clefts of the rock, / In the covert of the precipice, Let me see your countenance, / Let me hear your voice; / For your voice is sweet, / And your countenance is lovely.

9. As David was learning the lessons of the cross, he enjoyed God's

米甲的供備；若沒有他們，大衛就無法逃離掃羅—撒上二十 1 ～ 42，十九 11 ～ 18。

撒上 20:1 大衛從拉瑪的拿約逃跑，來到約拿單面前，說，我作了甚麼？我有甚麼罪孽，在你父親面前犯了甚麼罪，他竟尋索我的性命呢？
撒上 20:2 約拿單對他說，斷然不是！你絕不至於死。我父親作事，無論大小，沒有不叫我知道的。怎麼獨有這事隱瞞我呢？事情絕不會如此。
撒上 20:3 大衛又起誓說，你父親準知我在你眼前蒙恩；所以他心裏說，不如不叫約拿單知道這事，恐怕他愁煩。但我確實指着永活的耶和華起誓，又指着你的性命起誓，我離死不過一步。
撒上 20:4 約拿單對大衛說，凡你心裏所求的，我必爲你成就。
撒上 20:5 大衛對約拿單說，明日是初一，我當與王同席，求你讓我去藏在田野，直到後天晚上。
撒上 20:6 你父親若察覺我不在，你就說，大衛切求我許他趕回自己的城伯利恆去，因爲他全家在那裏獻年祭。
撒上 20:7 你父親若這樣說，好；你僕人就平安了。他若大大發怒，你就知道他決意要害我。
撒上 20:8 求你以恩慈待你僕人，因你已經帶你僕人在耶和華面前與你結盟。我若有罪孽，不如你自己殺我，何必將我帶到你父親那裏呢？
撒上 20:9 約拿單說，這事絕不至臨到你！我若知道我父親決意害你，我豈不告訴你麼？
撒上 20:10 大衛對約拿單說，你父親若用嚴厲的話回答你，誰來告訴我呢？
撒上 20:11 約拿單對大衛說，來，我們往田野去罷。二人就往田野去了。
撒上 20:12 約拿單對大衛說，願耶和華以色列的神爲證。明日約在這時候，或後天，我探我父親的意思，若向你有好意，我就必打發人告訴你。
撒上 20:13 我父親若有意害你，而我不告訴你，使你平平安安的走，願耶和華重重的降罰與我。願耶和華與你同在，如同從前與我父親同在一樣。
撒上 20:14 我活着的時候，你要以耶和華的慈愛待我，免我死亡；
撒上 20:15 就是我死後，耶和華從地上剪除你每一個仇敵的時候，你也永不可向我家絕了慈愛。
撒上 20:16 於是約拿單與大衛家結盟，說，願耶和華藉大衛仇敵的手追討背約的罪。
撒上 20:17 約拿單因着對大衛的愛，就使大衛再起誓，因他愛大衛如同愛自己的性命。
撒上 20:18 約拿單對他說，明日是初一，你的座位空着，人必察覺你不在。
撒上 20:19 你等三日，就要速速下去，到你從前遇事藏身的地方，留在以色石頭那裏。
撒上 20:20 我要向石頭旁邊射三箭，如同射箭靶一樣。

provision with Jonathan and Michal; without them, David would not have had a way to escape from Saul—1 Sam. 20:1-42; 19:11-18.

1 Sam. 20:1 Then David fled from Naioth in Ramah and came and said to Jonathan, What have I done? What is my iniquity, or what is my sin before your father, that he is seeking my life?

1 Sam. 20:2 And he said to him, Far from it! You shall not die. My father does nothing great or small that he does not disclose to me. So why should my father hide this matter from me? Such would not happen.
1 Sam. 20:3 Then David swore again and said, Your father fully knows that I have found favor in your sight; so he says, Do not let Jonathan know about this; otherwise, he will be grieved. But truly as Jehovah lives and as your soul lives, there is but a step between me and death.
1 Sam. 20:4 And Jonathan said to David, Whatever you say, I will do for you.
1 Sam. 20:5 And David said to Jonathan, It is the new moon tomorrow, and I am to sit with the king at the meal. But let me go, and I will hide myself in the field until the following evening.
1 Sam. 20:6 If your father misses me at all, you shall say, David earnestly asked leave of me to run to Bethlehem his city, for it is the yearly sacrifice there for all his family.
1 Sam. 20:7 If he says in this way, Fine; then your servant will have peace. But if he becomes angry at all, know that evil has been determined by him.
1 Sam. 20:8 Deal kindly then with your servant, for you have brought your servant into a covenant of Jehovah with you. But if there is any iniquity in me, you kill me. Why then should you bring me to your father?
1 Sam. 20:9 And Jonathan said, Far be it from you! For if I knew at all that evil has been determined by my father to come upon you, would I not tell it to you?
1 Sam. 20:10 Then David said to Jonathan, Who will tell me whether or not your father has responded to you harshly?
1 Sam. 20:11 And Jonathan said to David, Come and let us go out into the field. And they both went out into the field.
1 Sam. 20:12 And Jonathan said to David, By Jehovah, the God of Israel: When I search out my father about this time tomorrow, or on the following day, and if he is good toward David, I will surely send word to you and disclose it to you.
1 Sam. 20:13 May Jehovah do so to Jonathan, and even more, if it pleases my father to do you evil, and I do not disclose it to you and send you away to go in peace. And may Jehovah be with you as He was with my father.
1 Sam. 20:14 And while I am still alive, do show me the lovingkindness of Jehovah, that I may not die;
1 Sam. 20:15 And never cut off your lovingkindness from my house, not even when Jehovah has cut off David's enemies to the man from the face of the earth.
1 Sam. 20:16 So Jonathan made a covenant with the house of David, saying, And Jehovah will require it at the hand of David's enemies.
1 Sam. 20:17 And Jonathan made David swear again by his love for him, for he loved him as he loved his own soul.
1 Sam. 20:18 Then Jonathan said to him, Tomorrow is the new moon; and you will be missed, for your seat will be empty.
1 Sam. 20:19 And when you have waited three days, you shall go far down and come to the place where you hid yourself while all this was happening; and you shall remain at the stone Ezel.
1 Sam. 20:20 And I will shoot three arrows to its side, as though I were shooting at a mark.

撒上 20:21 我要打發僮僕，說，去把箭找來。我若對僮僕說，看哪，箭在你後頭，把箭拿來；你就可以回來；我指着永活的耶和華起誓，你必平安無事。
撒上 20:22 我若這樣對童子說，看哪，箭在你前頭；你就要去，因爲是耶和華打發你去的。
撒上 20:23 至於你我今日所說的話，有耶和華在你我中間爲證，直到永遠。
撒上 20:24 大衛就去藏在田野。到了初一日，王坐席要喫飯。
撒上 20:25 王照常坐在他的座位，就是靠牆的座位上，約拿單起身而立，押尼珥坐在掃羅旁邊，大衛的席位空着。
撒上 20:26 然而那日掃羅沒有說甚麼，他想大衛遇事以致不潔，他必定是不潔。
撒上 20:27 次日，就是初二日，大衛的席位還空着。掃羅對他兒子約拿單說，耶西的兒子爲何昨日、今日都沒有來喫飯？
撒上 20:28 約拿單回答掃羅說，大衛切求我許他往伯利恆去。
撒上 20:29 他說，求你讓我去，因爲我們家族在那城裏有獻祭的事；我兄長吩咐我去。如今我若在你眼前蒙恩，求你讓我脫身去見我的弟兄。因此，大衛沒有赴王的席。
撒上 20:30 掃羅向約拿單發怒，對他說，你這邪僻悖逆之婦人的兒子！我豈不知道你選擇耶西的兒子，自取羞辱，並且使你母親露體蒙羞麼？
撒上 20:31 耶西的兒子若在地上活着，你和你的國必站立不住。現在你要打發人去，將他捉拿交給我；他是該死的。
撒上 20:32 約拿單回答他父親掃羅說，他爲甚麼該被處死？他作了甚麼呢？
撒上 20:33 掃羅向約拿單掄槍要刺他，約拿單就知道他父親決意要殺大衛。
撒上 20:34 於是約拿單氣忿忿的從席上起來，在這初二日沒有喫飯；他因見父親羞辱大衛，就爲大衛愁煩。
撒上 20:35 到了次日早晨，約拿單按着與大衛約定的時候出到田野，有一個小僮僕跟着他。
撒上 20:36 約拿單對僮僕說，你跑去，把我所射的箭找來。僮僕跑去，約拿單就把箭射在僮僕前頭。
撒上 20:37 僮僕到了約拿單落箭之地，約拿單在僮僕後面呼叫說，箭不是在你前頭麼？
撒上 20:38 約拿單又在僮僕後面呼叫說，速速的去，不要停留。約拿單的僮僕就把箭拾起，來到主人那裏。
撒上 20:39 僮僕一點也不知道這是甚麼意思，只有約拿單和大衛知道。
撒上 20:40 約拿單將他的器械交給僮僕，對他說，你拿到城裏去罷。
撒上 20:41 僮僕一去，大衛就從那石頭南邊藏身之處出來，面伏於地，拜了三拜；二人彼此親嘴，相對哭泣，大衛哭得更慟。

撒上 20:42 約拿單對大衛說，你平平安安的去罷，因爲我們二人曾在耶和華的名裏起誓說，願耶和華在你我中間，並你我的後裔中間爲證，直到永遠。大衛就起身走了，約拿單也往城裏去了。
撒上 19:11 掃羅打發使者去大衛的房屋那裏窺探他，要在第二天早

1 Sam. 20:21 And just then I will send a boy, saying, Go; find the arrows. If I say to the boy, The arrows are there to this side of you; gather them; then come, for you have peace and there is no problem, as Jehovah lives.
1 Sam. 20:22 But if I speak in this way to the young man, The arrows are there beyond you; then go, for Jehovah has sent you away.
1 Sam. 20:23 And concerning this matter that I and you have spoken of, it is Jehovah who is between me and you forever.
1 Sam. 20:24 So David hid himself in the field. And when the new moon came, the king sat at the meal to eat.
1 Sam. 20:25 And the king sat on his seat as at other times, on his seat near the wall; and Jonathan rose up, and Abner sat down beside Saul, but David's place was empty.
1 Sam. 20:26 But Saul said nothing that day about it, for he thought, Something has happened to him; he is not clean; surely he is not clean.
1 Sam. 20:27 And on the day after the new moon, the second day, David's place was empty. And Saul said to Jonathan his son, Why has the son of Jesse come neither yesterday nor today to the meal?
1 Sam. 20:28 And Jonathan answered Saul, David asked leave of me earnestly to go to Bethlehem.
1 Sam. 20:29 And he said, Let me go, I beg you; for our family has a sacrifice in that city, and my brother commanded me to be there. So now if I have found favor in your sight, let me slip away to see my brothers. Therefore he has not come to the king's table.
1 Sam. 20:30 And Saul's anger burned against Jonathan, and he said to him, You son of a perverse, rebellious woman! Do I not know that you have chosen the son of Jesse to your own shame and to the shame of your mother's nakedness?
1 Sam. 20:31 For as long as the son of Jesse is alive on the earth, you and your kingdom will not be established. Now therefore send someone and bring him to me, for he is as good as dead.
1 Sam. 20:32 And Jonathan answered Saul his father and said to him, Why must he be put to death? What has he done?
1 Sam. 20:33 But Saul threw his spear at him in order to strike him down. So Jonathan knew that it was determined by his father to put David to death.
1 Sam. 20:34 And Jonathan rose up from the table in burning anger and did not eat any food on the second day of the new moon, for he was grieved about David because his father had shamed him.
1 Sam. 20:35 Then in the morning Jonathan went forth to the field for the appointment with David, and a small boy was with him.
1 Sam. 20:36 And he said to his boy, Run and find the arrows that I am shooting. While the boy was running, he shot the arrow beyond him.
1 Sam. 20:37 And when the boy came to the place of the arrow that Jonathan had shot, Jonathan called out after the boy and said, The arrow is there beyond you.
1 Sam. 20:38 And Jonathan called out to the boy, Hurry up quickly; do not stay there. And Jonathan's boy gathered the arrows and came to his master.
1 Sam. 20:39 And the boy knew nothing; only Jonathan and David knew the matter.
1 Sam. 20:40 Then Jonathan gave his equipment to his boy and said to him, Go; bring them to the city.
1 Sam. 20:41 And when the boy went, David rose up from his hiding place toward the south and fell on his face to the ground; and he bowed himself three times. And they kissed each other; and they wept for each other, but David more greatly.
1 Sam. 20:42 And Jonathan said to David, Go in peace, because both of us have sworn in the name of Jehovah, saying, May Jehovah be between me and you and between my seed and your seed forever. Then David rose up and left, and Jonathan went into the city.
1 Sam. 19:11 Then Saul sent messengers to David's house to watch him and kill him in the morning. And

晨殺他。大衛的妻子米甲對他說，你今夜若不逃命，明日你要被殺。
撒上 19:12 於是米甲將大衛從窗戶裏縋下去；大衛就離去，逃走躲避了。
撒上 19:13 米甲把家中的神像放在牀上，把山羊毛織的網子放在像的頭上，用衣服遮蓋。
撒上 19:14 掃羅打發使者去捉拿大衛，米甲說，他病了。
撒上 19:15 掃羅又打發使者去看大衛，說，當連牀將他抬上我這裏來，我好殺他。
撒上 19:16 使者進去，看見牀上有神像，頭上有山羊毛織的網子。

撒上 19:17 掃羅對米甲說，你爲甚麼這樣欺哄我，放走我的仇敵，使他逃脫呢？米甲對掃羅說，他對我說，你放我走，何必要我殺你呢？
撒上 19:18 大衛逃走脫身，來到拉瑪見撒母耳，將掃羅向他所行的事都述說了。他和撒母耳就往拿約去居住。

10 在神的主宰之下，大衛學了十字架的功課，至終他不是輸家，乃是贏家；不是受苦者，乃是享受者—腓一 19，三 8 ～ 9，林後四 7，16 ～ 18，參二 12 ～ 14。

腓 1:19 因爲我知道，這事藉着你們的祈求，和耶穌基督之靈全備的供應，終必叫我得救。
腓 3:8 不但如此，我也將萬事看作虧損，因我以認識我主基督耶穌爲至寶；我因祂已經虧損萬事，看作糞土，爲要贏得基督，
腓 3:9 並且給人看出我是在祂裏面，不是有自己那本於律法的義，乃是有那藉着信基督而有的義，就是那基於信、本於神的義，
林後 4:7 但我們有這寶貝在瓦器裏，要顯明這超越的能力，是屬於神，不是出於我們；
林後 4:16 所以我們不喪膽，反而我們外面的人雖然在毀壞，我們裏面的人卻日日在更新。
林後 4:17 因爲我們這短暫輕微的苦楚，要極盡超越的爲我們成就永遠重大的榮耀。
林後 4:18 我們原不是顧念所見的，乃是顧念所不見的，因爲所見的是暫時的，所不見的纔是永遠的。
林後 2:12 再者，我從前爲基督的福音到了特羅亞，藉着主也有門向我開了，
林後 2:13 那時沒有找到我的弟兄提多，我靈裏不安，便辭別那裏的人，往馬其頓去了。
林後 2:14 感謝神，祂常在基督裏，在凱旋的行列中帥領我們，並藉着我們在各處顯揚那因認識基督而有的香氣；

11 大衛的生命表徵破碎的生命：外面之人的破碎乃是我們天然個性—我們的己—的破碎；聖靈管治的目的，就是叫我們作一個被破碎的人；神把我們擺

Michal, David's wife, told him, saying, If you do not save your life tonight, in the morning you will be killed.
1 Sam. 19:12 So Michal let David down through the window, and he went away and fled and escaped.
1 Sam. 19:13 Then Michal took the teraphim and laid it in the bed. And she put a net of goats' hair on its head and covered it with clothing.
1 Sam. 19:14 And when Saul sent messengers to take David, she said, He is sick.
1 Sam. 19:15 And Saul sent the messengers to see David, saying, Bring him up to me on his bed that I may kill him.
1 Sam. 19:16 And when the messengers went in, there was the teraphim in the bed with a net of goats' hair on its head.
1 Sam. 19:17 Then Saul said to Michal, Why have you deceived me like this and let my enemy go so that he has slipped away? And Michal said to Saul, He said to me, Let me go; why should I kill you?

1 Sam. 19:18 So David fled and slipped away and came to Samuel at Ramah, and he told him all that Saul had done to him. And he and Samuel went and dwelt at Naioth.

10.Under God's sovereignty, David took the lessons of the cross, and eventually, he was not a loser but a gainer and a winner, not a sufferer but an enjoyer—Phil. 1:19; 3:8-9; 2 Cor. 4:7, 16-18; cf. 2:12-14.

Phil. 1:19 For I know that for me this will turn out to salvation through your petition and the bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,
Phil. 3:8 But moreover I also count all things to be loss on account of the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, on account of whom I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as refuse that I may gain Christ
Phil. 3:9 And be found in Him, not having my own righteousness which is out of the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is out of God and based on faith,
2 Cor. 4:7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels that the excellency of the power may be of God and not out of us.
2 Cor. 4:16 Therefore we do not lose heart; but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day.
2 Cor. 4:17 For our momentary lightness of affliction works out for us, more and more surpassingly, an eternal weight of glory,
2 Cor. 4:18 Because we do not regard the things which are seen but the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.
2 Cor. 2:12 Furthermore, when I came to Troas for the gospel of Christ and a door was open to me in the Lord,
2 Cor. 2:13 I had no rest in my spirit, for I did not find Titus my brother; but taking leave of them, I went forth into Macedonia.
2 Cor. 2:14 But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumph in the Christ and manifests the savor of the knowledge of Him through us in every place.

11.David's life signifies a life of brokenness; the breaking of the outer man is the breaking of our natural disposition, our self; the goal of the discipline of the Holy Spirit is for us to be a broken man; God

在完全無能爲力、毫無辦法的地位上，使祂有自由的路將祂自己連同祂一切追測不盡的豐富作到我們裏面——一 8～9，四 16～18，十二 9～10，何六 1～3，羅八 28～29，參約十二 3。

林後 1:8 弟兄們，關於我們在亞西亞所遭遇的患難，我們不願意你們不知道，就是我們被壓太重，力不能勝，甚至連活命的指望都絕了，

林後 1:9 自己裏面也斷定是必死的，叫我們不信靠自己，只信靠那叫死人復活的神；

林後 4:16 所以我們不喪膽，反而我們外面的人雖然在毀壞，我們裏面的人卻日日在更新。

林後 4:17 因爲我們這短暫輕微的苦楚，要極盡超越的爲我們成就永遠重大的榮耀。

林後 4:18 我們原不是顧念所見的，乃是顧念所不見的，因爲所見的是暫時的，所不見的纔是永遠的。

林後 12:9 祂對我說，我的恩典夠你用的，因爲我的能力，是在人的輭弱上顯得完全。所以我極其喜歡誇我的輭弱，好叫基督的能力覆庇我。

林後 12:10 因此，我爲基督的緣故，就以輭弱、凌辱、貧困、逼迫、困苦爲可喜悅的，因我甚麼時候輭弱，甚麼時候就有能力了。

何 6:1 來罷，我們歸向耶和華；祂撕裂我們，也必醫治；祂打傷我們，也必纏裹。

何 6:2 過兩天祂必使我們活過來，第三天祂必使我們興起，我們就在祂面前活着。

何 6:3 我們務要認識耶和華，竭力追求認識祂；祂出現確定如晨光，祂必臨到我們像甘雨，像滋潤大地的春雨。

羅 8:28 還有，我們曉得萬有都互相効力，叫愛神的人得益處，就是按祂旨意被召的人。

羅 8:29 因爲神所豫知的人，祂也豫定他們模成神兒子的形像，使祂兒子在許多弟兄中作長子。

約 12:3 那時，馬利亞就拿着一磅至貴的真哪噠香膏，抹耶穌的腳，又用自己的頭髮去擦祂的腳，屋裏就滿了膏的香氣。

貳 大衛顧到神在地上的居所，就是神約櫃的居所—撒下六 1～七 29，詩一三二 1～18：

撒下 6:1 大衛又聚集以色列中所有挑選的三萬人。

撒下 6:2 大衛起身，率領跟隨他的眾人前往，要從巴拉猶大將神的約櫃運上來；這櫃是以那坐在二基路伯中間萬軍之耶和華的名起名的。

撒下 6:3 他們將神的約櫃放在新車上，從山岡上亞比拿達的家裏運走；亞比拿達的兩個兒子烏撒和亞希約趕這新車。

撒下 6:4 他們將神的約櫃從山岡上亞比拿達家裏運走；亞希約在櫃前行走。

puts us in a place of total inability and helplessness so that He can have the free way to work Himself with all His unsearchable riches into us—1:8-9; 4:16-18; 12:9-10; Hosea 6:1-3; Rom. 8:28-29; cf. John 12:3.

2 Cor. 1:8 For we do not want you to be ignorant, brothers, of our affliction which befell us in Asia, that we were excessively burdened, beyond our power, so that we despaired even of living.

2 Cor. 1:9 Indeed we ourselves had the response of death in ourselves, that we should not base our confidence on ourselves but on God, who raises the dead;

2 Cor. 4:16 Therefore we do not lose heart; but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day.

2 Cor. 4:17 For our momentary lightness of affliction works out for us, more and more surpassingly, an eternal weight of glory,

2 Cor. 4:18 Because we do not regard the things which are seen but the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

2 Cor. 12:9 And He has said to me, My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is perfected in weakness. Most gladly therefore I will rather boast in my weaknesses that the power of Christ might tabernacle over me.

2 Cor. 12:10 Therefore I am well pleased in weaknesses, in insults, in necessities, in persecutions and distresses, on behalf of Christ; for when I am weak, then I am powerful.

Hosea 6:1 Come and let us return to Jehovah; / For He has torn us, but He will heal us, / And He has stricken us, but He will bind us up.

Hosea 6:2 He will enliven us after two days; / On the third day He will raise us up, / And we will live in His presence.

Hosea 6:3 Therefore let us know, let us pursue knowing Jehovah: / His going forth is as sure as the dawn, / And He will come to us as the rain, / As the late rain which waters the earth.

Rom. 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.

Rom. 8:29 Because those whom He foreknew, He also predestinated to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the Firstborn among many brothers;

John 12:3 Then Mary took a pound of ointment, of very valuable pure nard, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment.

II. David cared for God's habitation on earth, the habitation of the Ark of God—2 Sam. 6:1—7:29; Psa. 132:1-18:

2 Sam. 6:1 And David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand.

2 Sam. 6:2 And David rose up and went with all the people who were with him from Baale-judah to bring up from there the Ark of God, which is called by the Name, the name of Jehovah of hosts, who is enthroned between the cherubim.

2 Sam. 6:3 And they set the Ark of God upon a new cart and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. And Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, drove the new cart.

2 Sam. 6:4 And they brought it with the Ark of God out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill; and Ahio went before the Ark.

撒下 6:5 大衛和以色列全家在耶和華面前，用松木製造的各樣樂器和琴、瑟、鼓、鈴、鈸，作樂跳舞。
撒下 6:6 到了拿艮的禾場，因爲牛閃前蹄，烏撒就伸手扶住神的約櫃。
撒下 6:7 耶和華向烏撒發怒；神因他的錯誤當場擊殺他，他就死在神的約櫃旁。
撒下 6:8 大衛惱怒，因爲耶和華突然擊殺烏撒；那地方便稱爲毘列斯烏撒，直到今日。
撒下 6:9 那日，大衛懼怕耶和華，說，耶和華的約櫃怎可到我這裏來？
撒下 6:10 於是大衛不肯將耶和華的約櫃搬到大衛城他那裏，卻轉運到迦特人俄別以東的家中。
撒下 6:11 耶和華的約櫃停在迦特人俄別以東家中三個月；耶和華賜福給俄別以東和他的全家。
撒下 6:12 有人告訴大衛王說，耶和華因爲神的約櫃，賜福給俄別以東的家，和一切屬他的。大衛就去，歡歡喜喜的將神的約櫃從俄別以東家中抬上大衛城去。
撒下 6:13 抬耶和華約櫃的人走了六步，大衛就獻牛與肥畜爲祭。
撒下 6:14 大衛束着細麻布的以弗得，在耶和華面前極力跳舞。
撒下 6:15 這樣，大衛和以色列的全家歡呼吹角，將耶和華的約櫃抬上來。
撒下 6:16 耶和華的約櫃進入大衛城的時候，掃羅的女兒米甲從窗戶往下觀看，見大衛王在耶和華面前踴躍跳舞，心裏就藐視他。
撒下 6:17 眾人將耶和華的約櫃抬進去，安放在所豫備的地方，就是在大衛爲約櫃所搭的帳棚裏。大衛在耶和華面前獻燔祭和平安祭。
撒下 6:18 大衛獻完了燔祭和平安祭，就在萬軍之耶和華的名裏給百姓祝福，
撒下 6:19 並且分給所有的百姓，給以色列全體羣眾，無論男女，每人一個餅，一塊肉，一個葡萄餅；眾百姓就各回各家去了。

撒下 6:20 大衛回去要給眷屬祝福；掃羅的女兒米甲出來迎接他，說，以色列王今日在他臣僕的婢女眼前露體，如同無賴之徒無恥露體一樣，多麼叫人尊重阿！

撒下 6:21 大衛對米甲說，這是在耶和華面前；耶和華已揀選我，使我高過你父和你父的全家，立我作耶和華民以色列的領袖，所以我在耶和華面前作樂跳舞。
撒下 6:22 我還要更叫人輕視，並且自己看爲卑下；至於你所說的那些婢女，她們倒要尊重我。
撒下 6:23 掃羅的女兒米甲，直到死日，沒有兒女。
撒下 7:1 王住在自己宮中，耶和華使他得安息，不被四圍一切仇敵擾亂。
撒下 7:2 那時，王對申言者拿單說，看哪，我住在香柏木的宮中，神的約櫃反倒住在幔子裏。
撒下 7:3 拿單對王說，凡你心中所想的，只管去作，因爲耶和華與你同在。

2 Sam. 6:5 And David and all the house of Israel played before Jehovah on all manner of instruments of cypress wood, with lyres and with harps and with tambourines and with sistrums and with cymbals.
2 Sam. 6:6 And when they came to Nachon's threshing floor, Uzzah reached out for the Ark of God and took hold of it; for the oxen had stumbled.
2 Sam. 6:7 And the anger of Jehovah was kindled against Uzzah, and God struck him there for his error; and he died there by the Ark of God.
2 Sam. 6:8 And David was angry because Jehovah had broken forth with an outburst upon Uzzah; and that place has been called Perez-uzzah to this day.
2 Sam. 6:9 And David was afraid of Jehovah that day; and he said, How shall the Ark of Jehovah come to me?
2 Sam. 6:10 So David did not want to remove the Ark of Jehovah to himself in the city of David. But David carried it aside to the house of Obed-edom the Gittite.
2 Sam. 6:11 And the Ark of Jehovah remained in the house of Obed-edom the Gittite three months; and Jehovah blessed Obed-edom and all his household.
2 Sam. 6:12 And it was told King David, saying, Jehovah has blessed the house of Obed-edom and all that he has because of the Ark of God. So David went and brought up the Ark of God from the house of Obed-edom into the city of David with rejoicing.
2 Sam. 6:13 And when those who bore the Ark of Jehovah had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling.
2 Sam. 6:14 And David danced with all his might before Jehovah; and David was girded with a linen ephod.
2 Sam. 6:15 So David and all the house of Israel brought up the Ark of Jehovah with shouting and with the sound of the trumpet.
2 Sam. 6:16 And when the Ark of Jehovah came into the city of David, Michal the daughter of Saul looked down through a window and saw King David leaping and dancing before Jehovah; and she despised him in her heart.
2 Sam. 6:17 And they brought in the Ark of Jehovah and set it in its place in the midst of the tent that David had pitched for it. And David offered up burnt offerings and peace offerings before Jehovah.
2 Sam. 6:18 And when David finished offering up the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of Jehovah of hosts.
2 Sam. 6:19 And he apportioned to all the people, to the whole multitude of Israel, to both men and women, to each one, a cake of bread and a portion of meat and a cake of raisins. And all the people went away, each to his own house.
2 Sam. 6:20 Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul went forth to meet David; and she said, How the king of Israel has made himself honorable today, uncovering himself today in the sight of the maids of his servants as some worthless fellow might shamelessly uncover himself!
2 Sam. 6:21 And David said to Michal, It was before Jehovah, who chose me above your father and above all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of Jehovah, over Israel; so I played before Jehovah.
2 Sam. 6:22 And I will yet be more lightly esteemed than this, and I will be base in my own sight; but by the female servants of whom you have spoken, by them will I be honored.
2 Sam. 6:23 And Michal the daughter of Saul had no child until the day of her death.
2 Sam. 7:1 And as the king dwelt in his house and Jehovah gave him rest all around from all his enemies,
2 Sam. 7:2 The king said to Nathan the prophet, See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the Ark of God dwells within curtains.
2 Sam. 7:3 And Nathan said to the king, All that is in your heart go and do, for Jehovah is with you.

撒下 7:4 當夜，耶和華的話臨到拿單，說，
撒下 7:5 你去對我僕人大衛說，耶和華如此說，你要建造殿宇給我居住麼？
撒下 7:6 自從我領以色列人從埃及上來的日子，直到今日，我未曾住過殿宇，常在會幕和帳幕中行走。
撒下 7:7 我在以色列眾人中間行走時，何曾向以色列那一支派的士師，就是我吩咐牧養我民以色列的說，你爲何不給我建造香柏木的殿宇呢？
撒下 7:8 現在，你要對我僕人大衛這樣說，萬軍之耶和華如此說，我從草場上選取了你，叫你不再跟從羊羣，使你作我民以色列的領袖。
撒下 7:9 凡你所到之處，我都與你同在，將你的一切仇敵從你面前剪除。我必使你得大名，好像地上偉人的名一樣。
撒下 7:10 我必爲我民以色列選定一個地方，栽植他們，使他們住自己的地方，不再受攪擾；兇惡之子也不再像從前苦害他們，

撒下 7:11 並不像我命士師治理我民以色列的日子以來那樣。我必使你得安息，不被一切仇敵擾亂。再者，我耶和華向你宣告，耶和華必爲你建立家室。
撒下 7:12 你在世的日子滿足，與你列祖同睡的時候，我必興起你腹中所出的後裔接續你，我也必堅定他的國。
撒下 7:13 他必爲我的名建造殿宇；我必堅定他的國位，直到永遠。
撒下 7:14 我要作他的父，他要作我的子。他若有了罪孽，我必用人的杖，用世人的鞭責打他；
撒下 7:15 但我的慈愛必不離開他，像我使慈愛離開我在你面前所廢棄的掃羅一樣。
撒下 7:16 你的家和你的國必在你面前永遠堅立；你的國位必永遠堅定。
撒下 7:17 拿單就按這一切話，照這全部異象，告訴大衛。
撒下 7:18 於是大衛王進去，坐在耶和華面前，說，主耶和華阿，我是誰？我的家算甚麼？你竟帶我到這地步呢？
撒下 7:19 主耶和華阿，這在你眼中還看爲小事；你又說到你僕人的家至於久遠；主耶和華阿，這豈是人的常情麼？
撒下 7:20 主耶和華阿，大衛還有何言可以對你說呢？因爲你知道你的僕人。
撒下 7:21 你因所說的話，並照你的心意，行了這一切大事，使你僕人知道。
撒下 7:22 因此，主耶和華阿，你本爲大；照我們耳中所聽見的一切，沒有可比你的，除你以外再沒有神。
撒下 7:23 有誰能比你的民以色列呢？以色列是地上獨特的國民，是神去救贖出來作自己的子民，好爲自己立名的；你又在你的民面前，爲你自己、爲你的地行大而可畏的事，將你的民從埃及，從列國和他們的神救贖出來，歸與你自己。
撒下 7:24 你曾堅立你的民以色列作你的子民，直到永遠；耶和華阿，你也作了他們的神。
撒下 7:25 耶和華神阿，你所說關於你僕人和僕人家的話，如今求你

2 Sam. 7:4 And in that night the word of Jehovah came to Nathan, saying,
2 Sam. 7:5 Go and say to My servant David, Thus says Jehovah, Is it you who will build Me a house for Me to dwell in?
2 Sam. 7:6 For I have not dwelt in a house, since the day I brought the children of Israel up out of Egypt to this day; but I went about in a tent and in a tabernacle.
2 Sam. 7:7 In all My going about among all the children of Israel, did I ever speak a word to any of the tribes of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd My people Israel, saying, Why have you not built Me a house of cedar?
2 Sam. 7:8 And now thus shall you say to My servant David, Thus says Jehovah of hosts, I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, that you might be ruler over My people, over Israel;

2 Sam. 7:9 And I have been with you in every place that you have gone and have cut off all your enemies before you; and I will make a great name for you, like the name of the great ones who are on the earth.
2 Sam. 7:10 And I will appoint a place for My people Israel and will plant them there, that they may dwell in their own place and be disturbed no more; and the sons of wickedness will ill-treat them no more as before,
2 Sam. 7:11 Even since the time when I commanded that there be judges over My people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover Jehovah declares to you that Jehovah will make you a house.
2 Sam. 7:12 When your days are fulfilled and you sleep with your fathers, I will raise up your seed after you, which will come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom.
2 Sam. 7:13 It is he who will build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.
2 Sam. 7:14 I will be his Father, and he will be My son. If he commits iniquity, I will strike him with the rod of men and with the stripes of the sons of men;
2 Sam. 7:15 But My lovingkindness will not depart from him, as I took it away from Saul, whom I put away before you.
2 Sam. 7:16 And your house and your kingdom will be made sure forever before you; your throne will be established forever.
2 Sam. 7:17 According to all these words and according to this whole vision did Nathan speak to David.
2 Sam. 7:18 Then King David went and sat before Jehovah; and he said, Who am I, O Lord Jehovah, and what is my house that You have brought me this far?
2 Sam. 7:19 And this was yet a small thing in Your sight, O Lord Jehovah; but You have spoken also of the house of Your servant for a great while to come; and is this the custom for man, O Lord Jehovah?
2 Sam. 7:20 And what more can David say to You? For You know Your servant, O Lord Jehovah.

2 Sam. 7:21 For Your word's sake and according to Your own heart, You have done all this greatness to make Your servant know it.
2 Sam. 7:22 Therefore You are great, O Lord Jehovah; for there is none like You, nor is there any God besides You, according to all that we have heard with our ears.
2 Sam. 7:23 And who is like Your people Israel, a nation unique on the earth, whom God went to redeem to Himself as a people in order to make a name for Himself and to do for You what is great and awesome for Your land and before Your people, whom You have redeemed to Yourself out of Egypt, from the nations and their gods?
2 Sam. 7:24 And You have established Your people Israel to be a people to You forever, and You, O Jehovah, became their God.
2 Sam. 7:25 And now, O Jehovah God, confirm forever the word which You have spoken concerning Your

堅定，直到永遠，並照你所說的而行。
撒下 7:26 願你的名永遠被尊爲大，人要說，萬軍之耶和華是治理以色列的神；這樣，你僕人大衛的家必在你面前堅立。
撒下 7:27 萬軍之耶和華以色列的神阿，因你啓示你的僕人，說，我必爲你建立家室，所以僕人心中纔敢向你如此禱告。
撒下 7:28 主耶和華阿，惟有你是神；你的話是真實的，你也將這美好的事告訴了僕人。
撒下 7:29 現在願你樂意賜福與僕人的家，使這家永存在你面前；主耶和華阿，這原是你所說的。願你僕人的家，因你的賜福永遠蒙福。
詩 132:1 耶和華阿，求你記念大衛，記念他所受的一切苦難。
詩 132:2 他怎樣向耶和華起誓，向雅各的大能者許願，說，
詩 132:3 我必不進我的帳幕，也不上我的牀榻；
詩 132:4 我不容我的眼睛睡覺，也不容我的眼皮打盹；
詩 132:5 直等我爲耶和華尋得所在，爲雅各的大能者尋得居所。
詩 132:6 看哪，我們聽說約櫃在以法他，我們在雅珥的田野尋見了。
詩 132:7 我們要進祂的居所，在祂腳凳前下拜。
詩 132:8 耶和華阿，求你興起，和你有能力的約櫃同入你安息之所。
詩 132:9 願你的祭司披上公義，願你的虔誠人歡呼。
詩 132:10 求你因你僕人大衛的緣故，不厭棄你的受膏者。
詩 132:11 耶和華向大衛憑真實起了誓，必不反覆，說，我要從你本身所生的，立一位坐在你的寶座上。
詩 132:12 你的眾子若守我的約，和我所教訓他們的法度，他們的子孫也必永遠坐在你的寶座上。
詩 132:13 因爲耶和華揀選了錫安，願意當作自己的居所，
詩 132:14 說，這是我永遠安息之所；我要住在這裏，因爲是我所願意的。
詩 132:15 我要豐厚的賜福與其中的糧，使其中的窮人飽得食物。
詩 132:16 我要使其中的祭司披上救恩，其中的虔誠人大聲歡呼。
詩 132:17 我要叫大衛的角在那裏長出；我爲我的受膏者豫備明燈。
詩 132:18 我要使他的仇敵披上羞恥，但他的冠冕要在他頭上發光。

一雖然神不要大衛建殿，他還是爲殿的建造豫備了建造的人、基地和材料；神也藉着祂的靈將聖殿的樣式啓示給大衛；大衛離世前就把這樣式指示他的兒子所羅門；因此，大衛盡了他的職分，與神同工，爲着完成聖殿的建造—撒下八11，王上七51，代上二二14～16，二九1～5，二八11～19，徒十三22，36。

撒下 8:11 大衛王將這些物件，連同他從所制伏的各國得來而分別爲聖的金銀，都分別爲聖歸給耶和華，
王上 7:51 這樣，所羅門王爲耶和華殿所作的一切工完成了。所羅門把他父親大衛分別爲聖之物，就是銀子、金子和器具，都帶來放在耶和華殿的府庫裏。

servant and concerning his house, and do as You have spoken.
2 Sam. 7:26 And may Your name be magnified forever when men say, Jehovah of hosts is God over Israel; and the house of Your servant David will be established before You.
2 Sam. 7:27 For You, O Jehovah of hosts, God of Israel, have revealed to Your servant, saying, I will build you a house; therefore Your servant has found it in his heart to pray this prayer to You.
2 Sam. 7:28 And now, O Lord Jehovah, You are God, and Your words are true, and You have spoken this good matter to Your servant;
2 Sam. 7:29 Now therefore may it please You to bless the house of Your servant, that it may be before You forever; for You, O Lord Jehovah, have spoken it. And with Your blessing may the house of Your servant be blessed forever.
Psa. 132:1 Remember, O Jehovah, for David's sake / All his afflictions;
Psa. 132:2 How he swore to Jehovah / And vowed to the Mighty One of Jacob:
Psa. 132:3 I shall not go into the tent of my house; / I shall not go up onto the couch of my bed;
Psa. 132:4 I shall not give sleep to my eyes, / Slumber to my eyelids;
Psa. 132:5 Until I find a place for Jehovah, / A tabernacle for the Mighty One of Jacob.
Psa. 132:6 Behold, we heard of it in Ephrathah; / We found it in the fields of Jaar.
Psa. 132:7 We will go into His tabernacle; / We will worship at His footstool.
Psa. 132:8 Arise, O Jehovah, unto Your resting place, / You and the Ark of Your strength.
Psa. 132:9 Let Your priests be clothed with righteousness, / And let Your faithful ones give a ringing shout.
Psa. 132:10 For the sake of David Your servant, / Do not turn away the face of Your Anointed One.
Psa. 132:11 Jehovah has sworn unto David in truth; / He will not turn from it: / Of the fruit of your body I will set One upon your throne.
Psa. 132:12 If your children keep My covenant / And My testimonies that I will teach them, / Their children also will sit / Upon your throne forever.
Psa. 132:13 For Jehovah has chosen Zion; / He has desired it for His habitation.
Psa. 132:14 This is My resting place forever; / Here will I dwell, for I have desired it.
Psa. 132:15 I will abundantly bless its provision; / I will satisfy its poor with bread.
Psa. 132:16 And its priests I will clothe with salvation, / And its faithful ones will shout with a ringing shout.
Psa. 132:17 There I will cause a horn of David to shoot forth; / I have prepared a lamp for My anointed one.
Psa. 132:18 I will clothe his enemies with shame, / But on him his crown will shine.

A. Although God did not want David to build the temple, he prepared the builder, the site, and the materials for the building of the temple; God also revealed to David by His Spirit the pattern of the temple, and before David died, he gave this pattern to Solomon his son; thus, David fulfilled his ministry and co-worked with God for the completion of the building of the temple—2 Sam. 8:11; 1 Kings 7:51; 1 Chron. 22:14-16; 29:1-5; 28:11-19; Acts 13:22, 36.

2 Sam. 8:11 King David consecrated these also to Jehovah along with the silver and gold that he consecrated from all the nations that he had subdued:
1 Kings 7:51 Thus all the work that King Solomon did in the house of Jehovah was finished. And Solomon brought in the things that David his father had sanctified, the silver and the gold and the vessels, and he put them in the treasuries of the house of Jehovah.

代上 22:14 看哪，我在困難之中爲耶和華的殿豫備了金子十萬他連得，銀子一百萬他連得，銅和鐵多得無法可稱；我也豫備了木頭、石頭，你還可以增添。
代上 22:15 你這裏有許多匠人，就是鑿石的人、石匠、木匠、和一切能作各樣工的巧匠，
代上 22:16 並有無數的金、銀、銅、鐵。你當起來辦事，願耶和華與你同在。
代上 29:1 大衛王對全會眾說，我兒子所羅門是神特選的，還年幼嬌嫩；這工程甚大，因這宮殿不是爲人，乃是爲耶和華神建造的。
代上 29:2 我爲我神的殿已經盡力，豫備金子作金器，銀子作銀器，銅作銅器，鐵作鐵器，木作木器，紅瑪瑙和可鑲嵌的寶石，黑石和彩石，以及各樣的寶石，還有許多大理石。

代上 29:3 且因我愛慕我神的殿，就在我已豫備建造聖殿的材料之外，又將我自己積蓄的金銀獻上，建造我神的殿，

代上 29:4 就是俄斐金三千他連得，以及精煉的銀子七千他連得，以貼殿牆。
代上 29:5 金子作金器，銀子作銀器，並藉匠人的手製造一切。今日有誰樂意獻上，將自己獻給耶和華呢？
代上 28:11 大衛將殿的廊子、旁屋、府庫、樓房、內室、和安放遮罪蓋之至聖所的樣式指示他兒子所羅門；
代上 28:12 又將他被靈感動所得的樣式，就是耶和華殿的院子、周圍的房屋、神殿的府庫、和聖物府庫的一切樣式，都指示他；
代上 28:13 又指示他祭司和利未人的班次，與耶和華殿裏各樣事奉的工作，並耶和華殿裏一切事奉用之器皿的樣式；
代上 28:14 關於金器，是按着各樣事奉用的器皿金子的重量；關於一切銀器，是按着各樣事奉用之銀器的重量；
代上 28:15 金燈臺和其金燈的重量，是按着每一燈臺和其燈的重量，以及銀燈臺的重量，是按着每一燈臺和其燈的重量，都是照着各種燈臺的用途；
代上 28:16 每張陳設餅金桌子金子的重量，銀桌子銀子的重量；

代上 28:17 純金的肉叉、盤子、和壺的重量；關於金碗，是按着每一金碗的重量；關於銀碗，是按着每一銀碗的重量；
代上 28:18 關於精金的香壇，是按着香壇的重量；以及作成車子樣式的基路伯金子的重量，這基路伯張開翅膀，遮掩耶和華的約櫃。
代上 28:19 大衛說，這一切樣式的細工，都是耶和華的手在我身上，畫出來使我明白的。
徒 13:22 既廢了掃羅，就興起大衛作他們的王，又爲他作見證說，我尋得耶西的兒子大衛，他是合乎我心的人，必實行我一切的旨意。
徒 13:36 大衛在神的旨意中，服事了他那一代的人，就睡了，歸到他祖宗那裏，已見朽壞；

1 Chron. 22:14 Now then in my affliction I have prepared for the house of Jehovah one hundred thousand talents of gold and one million talents of silver and bronze and iron without weight, for it is in abundance; and timber and stone I have prepared; and you may add to these.
1 Chron. 22:15 And with you there are workmen in abundance, masons and workers in stone and wood and all manner of men who are skillful in every kind of work.
1 Chron. 22:16 To the gold and silver and bronze and iron there is no number. Arise and do it, and may Jehovah be with you.
1 Chron. 29:1 And David the king said to all the assembly, Solomon my son, he alone whom God has chosen, is young and tender, and the work is great because the palace is not for man but for Jehovah God.
1 Chron. 29:2 And as much as was in my power I have prepared for the house of my God the gold for the things of gold and the silver for the things of silver and the bronze for the things of bronze and the iron for the things of iron and the wood for the things of wood, onyx stones and inlaid stones, stones of antimony and variegated stones, and every kind of precious stone and marble stones in abundance.
1 Chron. 29:3 Furthermore, because I set my affection on the house of my God, and since I have a private treasure of gold and silver, I give it for the house of my God over and above all that I have prepared for this holy house:
1 Chron. 29:4 Three thousand talents of gold, from the gold of Ophir, and seven thousand talents of refined silver for overlaying the walls of the houses,
1 Chron. 29:5 Gold for the things of gold and the silver for the things of silver and for all the work by the hands of the craftsmen. And who will offer willingly, consecrating himself today to Jehovah?
1 Chron. 28:11 Then David gave Solomon his son the pattern of the portico of the temple and its buildings and its storehouses and its upper rooms and its inner rooms and the building for the expiation cover;
1 Chron. 28:12 And the pattern of all that he had by the Spirit, for the courts of the house of Jehovah, and for all the chambers around, and for the treasuries of the house of God, and for the treasuries of the dedicated gifts;
1 Chron. 28:13 And for the divisions of the priests and the Levites, and for all the work of the service of the house of Jehovah, and for all the vessels of the service of the house of Jehovah;
1 Chron. 28:14 And for the gold, by weight of the gold for all the vessels of each kind of service; for all the vessels of silver, by weight for all the vessels for each kind of service;
1 Chron. 28:15 And for the weight of the lampstands of gold and their lamps of gold, by weight for each lampstand and its lamps; and for the weight of the lampstands of silver, by weight for the lampstand and its lamps, according to the service of each kind of lampstand
1 Chron. 28:16 And for the gold, by weight for the tables of the rows of bread for each table, and for the silver for the tables of silver;
1 Chron. 28:17 And for the flesh hooks and the basins and the pitchers, of pure gold; and for the bowls of gold, by weight for each bowl; and for the bowls of silver, by weight for each bowl;
1 Chron. 28:18 And for the incense altar of refined gold, by weight; and gold for the figure of the chariot, that is, the cherubim, spreading out their wings and covering the Ark of the Covenant of Jehovah.

1 Chron. 28:19 All this, said David, has He made clear by a writing from the hand of Jehovah upon me, all the details of the pattern.
Acts 13:22 And when He had deposed him, He raised up David for them as king, to whom also He testified and said, I have found David, the son of Jesse, a man according to My heart, who will do all My will.
Acts 13:36 Now David, having served his own generation by the counsel of God, did indeed fall asleep and was buried with his fathers and saw corruption;

二大衛發熱心要爲神建造聖殿，（撒下七1～3，）但神拒絕了大衛的好意；神差遣申言者拿單，對大衛說，『你要建造殿宇給我居住麼？』—5節：

撒下 7:1 王住在自己宮中，耶和華使他得安息，不被四圍一切仇敵擾亂。
撒下 7:2 那時，王對申言者拿單說，看哪，我住在香柏木的宮中，神的約櫃反倒住在幔子裏。
撒下 7:3 拿單對王說，凡你心中所想的，只管去作，因爲耶和華與你同在。
撒下 7:5 你去對我僕人大衛說，耶和華如此說，你要建造殿宇給我居住麼？

1 這給我們看見，我們在召會中一切的工作和事奉，必須起意於神，必須按照祂的願望；由人所起意或起頭的一切，無論多麼爲着神，都是沒有基督同在的宗教活動。

2 我們要事奉神的那個心，祂悅納；但我們要爲祂作甚麼的定規，神不悅納；神對大衛說，『你要…麼？』神不要我們替祂定規甚麼。

三因着大衛是敬畏神並與神合作的人，神藉着拿單告訴他要停下建造殿的定意時，他沒有反抗；大衛把他要完成建造殿的願望停了下來，這行動乃是大事；和受恩（M. E. Barber）教士說過一句話：『凡不能爲神的緣故不作工的，都不能爲神的緣故作工』（認識生命與召會，二四三頁）—路十 38～42。

路 10:38 他們走路的時候，耶穌進了一個村莊；有一個女人名叫馬大，接待祂到家裏。
路 10:39 她有一個妹妹，名叫馬利亞，在主腳前坐着聽祂的話。
路 10:40 馬大伺候的事多，各方忙亂，就進前來，說，主阿，我妹妹留下我獨自一人伺候，你不在意麼？請吩咐她同我作她分內該作的事。
路 10:41 主回答她說，馬大，馬大，你爲許多的事思慮煩擾；
路 10:42 但是不可少的只有一件，馬利亞已經選擇那美好的分，是不能從她奪去的。

四大衛那次的停下，在宇宙中樹立了一個雙重的見

B. David was zealous to build a temple for God (2 Sam. 7:1-3), but God rejected David's good intention; God sent Nathan the prophet to David to ask, "Is it you who will build Me a house for Me to dwell in?"—v. 5:

2 Sam. 7:1 And as the king dwelt in his house and Jehovah gave him rest all around from all his enemies,
2 Sam. 7:2 The king said to Nathan the prophet, See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the Ark of God dwells within curtains.
2 Sam. 7:3 And Nathan said to the king, All that is in your heart go and do, for Jehovah is with you.
2 Sam. 7:5 Go and say to My servant David, Thus says Jehovah, Is it you who will build Me a house for Me to dwell in?

1. This shows that all our work and service in the church must be initiated by God and must be according to His desire; anything that is initiated or started by man, regardless of how much it is for God, is a religious activity devoid of the presence of Christ.

2. Our heart to serve God is acceptable, but our decision to do something for Him is not acceptable; God said to David, "Is it you…?"; God does not want us to decide anything on His behalf.

C. Because David was one who feared God and cooperated with God, he did not react when God told him through Nathan to stop in his determination to be the one who would build the temple; the act of David's stopping to carry out his desire to build the temple is a great matter; Sister M. E. Barber said, "Whoever cannot stop working for the sake of God cannot work for the sake of God" (The Collected Works of Witness Lee, 1953, vol. 1, "Knowing Life and the Church," p. 283)—Luke 10:38-42.

Luke 10:38 Now as they went, He entered into a certain village, and a certain woman named Martha received Him into her home.
Luke 10:39 And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at the Lord's feet and was listening to His word.
Luke 10:40 But Martha was being drawn about with much serving, and she came up to Him and said, Lord, does it not matter to You that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to do her part with me.
Luke 10:41 But the Lord answered and said to her, Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things;
Luke 10:42 But there is need of one thing, for Mary has chosen the good part, which shall not be taken away from her.

D. David's stopping established a twofold testimony in the universe: first, all

證：第一，宇宙中的事，只能出於神，不能出於人；第二，不是在乎人爲神作甚麼，乃是在乎神爲人作甚麼—撒下七 11 ～ 14 上，18，25。

撒下 7:11 並不像我命士師治理我民以色列的日子以來那樣。我必使你得安息，不被一切仇敵擾亂。再者，我耶和華向你宣告，耶和華必爲你建立家室。
撒下 7:12 你在世的日子滿足，與你列祖同睡的時候，我必興起你腹中所出的後裔接續你，我也必堅定他的國。
撒下 7:13 他必爲我的名建造殿宇；我必堅定他的國位，直到永遠。
撒下 7:14 我要作他的父，他要作我的子。他若有了罪孽，我必用人的杖，用世人的鞭責打他；
撒下 7:18 於是大衛王進去，坐在耶和華面前，說，主耶和華阿，我是誰？我的家算甚麼？你竟帶我到這地步呢？
撒下 7:25 耶和華神阿，你所說關於你僕人和僕人家的話，如今求你堅定，直到永遠，並照你所說的而行。

五我們要從深處學得，神只要我們與祂配合，祂不需要我們爲祂作甚麼；我們要停下我們的一切主張、定規、看法，讓祂說話，讓祂進來，讓祂發號施令—太十七 5。

太 17:5 他還說話的時候，看哪，有一朵光明的雲彩遮蓋他們；看哪，又有聲音從雲彩裏出來，說，這是我的愛子，我所喜悅的，你們要聽祂。

叁 聖經記載神對大衛懲罰的審判，今天對我們乃是警戒；（林前十 11；）神不僅滿有慈愛憐憫，也是公正可畏的；神赦免大衛，但祂也照着祂行政的公義，管教並懲治大衛（撒下十二 10 ～ 14）：

林前 10:11 這些發生在他們身上的事，都是鑑戒，並且寫在經上，正是爲警戒我們這生在諸世代終局的人。
撒下 12:10 你既藐視我，娶了赫人烏利亞的妻子爲妻，故此刀劍必永不離開你的家。
撒下 12:11 耶和華如此說，看哪，我必從你家中興起禍患攻擊你；我必在你眼前把你的妻妾賜給與你親近的人，他必在日光之下與她們同寢。
撒下 12:12 你在暗中行這事，我卻要在全以色列面前，在日光之下施行報應。
撒下 12:13 大衛對拿單說，我得罪耶和華了。拿單說，耶和華已經除掉你的罪，你必不至於死。

the work in the universe should come from God, not from man; second, all that matters is what God does for man, not what man does for God—2 Sam. 7:11-14a, 18, 25.

2 Sam. 7:11 Even since the time when I commanded that there be judges over My people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover Jehovah declares to you that Jehovah will make you a house.
2 Sam. 7:12 When your days are fulfilled and you sleep with your fathers, I will raise up your seed after you, which will come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom.
2 Sam. 7:13 It is he who will build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.
2 Sam. 7:14 I will be his Father, and he will be My son. If he commits iniquity, I will strike him with the rod of men and with the stripes of the sons of men;
2 Sam. 7:18 Then King David went and sat before Jehovah; and he said, Who am I, O Lord Jehovah, and what is my house that You have brought me this far?
2 Sam. 7:25 And now, O Jehovah God, confirm forever the word which You have spoken concerning Your servant and concerning his house, and do as You have spoken.

E. We must learn deep within that God wants only our cooperation; He does not need us to do anything for Him; we must stop all our opinions, decisions, and ideas; we need to let Him speak, let Him come in, and let Him command—Matt. 17:5.

Matt. 17:5 While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and behold, a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is My Son, the Beloved, in whom I have found My delight. Hear Him!

III. The account of God's punishing judgment on David is written as a warning to us today (1 Cor. 10:11); God is not only loving and merciful, but He is also just and fearsome; God forgave David, but He also disciplined and chastised David according to His governmental righteousness (2 Sam. 12:10-14):

1 Cor. 10:11 Now these things happened to them as an example, and they were written for our admonition, unto whom the ends of the ages have come.
2 Sam. 12:10 Now therefore the sword will not depart from your house forever because you have despised Me and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife.
2 Sam. 12:11 Thus says Jehovah, I will now raise up trouble against you from within your house; and I will take your wives before your eyes and will give them to your companion, and he will lie with your wives in the sight of this sun.
2 Sam. 12:12 For you did this secretly, but I will do this thing before all Israel and even before the sun.

2 Sam. 12:13 And David said to Nathan, I have sinned against Jehovah. And Nathan said to David, Jehovah has also put away your sin; you will not die.

撒下 12:14 只是你因着行這事，叫耶和華的仇敵大得褻瀆的機會，故此，你所得的兒子必定要死。

2 Sam. 12:14 Nevertheless, because you have given the enemies of Jehovah much occasion to blaspheme Him because of this thing, the son who is born to you shall also surely die.

一以色列的一切仇敵被征服，大衛被高舉作以色列的王之後，他在安寧的環境中犯了大罪—姦淫和殺人；這指明每當我們在安寧的環境中享安逸，很容易被引誘放縱肉體—十一 1 ～ 27，彼前四 1 與註 4。

A. After all the enemies of Israel were subdued and David was exalted as the king of Israel, David committed great sins while he was in a peaceful situation—adultery and murder; this indicates that whenever we are at ease in a peaceful situation, it is easy for us to be seduced to indulge our flesh—11:1-27; 1 Pet. 4:1 and footnote 4.

撒下 11:1 到了年初，列王出戰的時候，大衛差派約押和跟隨他的臣僕，並以色列全軍出戰；他們殲毀亞捫人，圍攻拉巴。但大衛仍住在耶路撒冷。

2 Sam. 11:1 And at the turn of the year, at the time when kings go forth to battle, David sent out Joab and his servants with him and all Israel; and they destroyed the children of Ammon and besieged Rabbah. But David remained in Jerusalem.

撒下 11:2 一日，傍晚時分，大衛從牀上起來，在王宮的平頂上散步，從平頂上看見一個婦人沐浴，容貌甚美。

2 Sam. 11:2 And late one afternoon David rose from his bed and went for a walk on the roof of the king's house. And from the roof he saw a woman bathing, and the woman was very beautiful to look at.

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2 Sam. 11:3 And David sent and inquired about the woman. And someone said, This is none other than Bath-sheba the daughter of Eliam and wife of Uriah the Hittite.

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2 Sam. 11:4 And David sent messengers and took her; and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she had just purified herself from her uncleanness.) And she returned to her house.

撒下 11:5 後來婦人懷了孕，就打發人去告訴大衛說，我懷了孕。

2 Sam. 11:5 And the woman conceived; and she sent word and told David and said, I am pregnant.

撒下 11:6 大衛差人到約押那裏，說，你打發赫人烏利亞到我這裏來。約押就打發烏利亞去見大衛。

2 Sam. 11:6 Then David sent word to Joab: Send me Uriah the Hittite. So Joab sent Uriah to David.

撒下 11:7 烏利亞來了，大衛問約押好，也問眾兵好，又問爭戰的事怎樣。

2 Sam. 11:7 And Uriah came to him, and David asked how Joab was doing and how the people were doing and how the battle was going.

撒下 11:8 大衛對烏利亞說，你下到家裏去，洗洗腳罷。烏利亞出了王宮，隨後王送他一分食物。

2 Sam. 11:8 And David said to Uriah, Go down to your house, and wash your feet. And Uriah went forth from the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king.

撒下 11:9 烏利亞卻和他主人的眾僕人一同睡在王宮門外，沒有下到自己家裏去。

2 Sam. 11:9 But Uriah lay down at the entrance to the king's house with all the servants of his lord and did not go down to his house.

撒下 11:10 有人告訴大衛說，烏利亞沒有下到自己家裏去。大衛就問烏利亞說，你從遠路回來，爲甚麼不下到自己家裏去呢？

2 Sam. 11:10 And they told David, saying, Uriah did not go down to his house. Then David said to Uriah, Have you not just come from a journey? Why have you not gone down to your house?

撒下 11:11 烏利亞對大衛說，約櫃和以色列與猶大兵都住在棚裏，我主約押和我主的僕人都在田野安營；我豈可回家喫喝，與妻子同寢呢？我指着王和王的性命起誓，我絕不行這事！

2 Sam. 11:11 And Uriah said to David, The Ark and Israel and Judah dwell in huts, and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are encamped in the open field. Shall I then go to my house to eat and drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live and your soul lives, I shall by no means do this thing!

撒下 11:12 大衛對烏利亞說，你今日仍住在這裏，明日我纔打發你去。於是烏利亞那日和次日住在耶路撒冷。

2 Sam. 11:12 And David said to Uriah, Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back. So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day and the following.

撒下 11:13 大衛召請烏利亞來，叫他在自己面前喫喝，使他喝醉。到了晚上，烏利亞出去與他主的僕人一同住宿，並沒有下到自己家裏去。

2 Sam. 11:13 Then David invited him to eat and drink in his presence, and he made him drunk. Then in the evening he went forth to lie down on his bed with the servants of his lord, and he did not go down to his house.

撒下 11:14 次日早晨，大衛寫信與約押，交烏利亞親手帶去。

2 Sam. 11:14 Then in the morning David wrote a letter to Joab and sent it by the hand of Uriah.

撒下 11:15 信內寫着說，要派烏利亞到戰事最激烈的前方，你們便退後，使他被擊殺而死。

2 Sam. 11:15 And he wrote in the letter, saying, Put Uriah in the forefront of the hardest battle, and withdraw from him that he may be struck down and die.

撒下 11:16 於是約押在圍城的時候，知道敵人那裏有勇士，便將烏利亞派在那裏。

2 Sam. 11:16 So when Joab besieged the city, he assigned Uriah to the place where he knew the valiant men were.

撒下 11:17 城裏的人出來和約押打仗；民中有幾個大衛的僕人陣亡了，赫人烏利亞也死了。

2 Sam. 11:17 And the men of the city went forth and fought with Joab; and some of the people, some of the servants of David, fell. And Uriah the Hittite died also.

撒下 11:18 約押差人去將爭戰的一切事告訴大衛；

2 Sam. 11:18 And Joab sent a messenger to tell David all the things concerning the battle;

撒下 11:19 又囑咐使者說，你把爭戰的一切事對王說完了，

撒下 11:20 王若發怒，對你說，你們打仗爲甚麼挨近城呢？豈不知敵人必從城牆上射箭麼？
撒下 11:21 從前打死耶路比設兒子亞比米勒的是誰呢？豈不是一個婦人從城牆上拋下一塊上磨石來，打在他身上，他就死在提備斯麼？你們爲甚麼挨近城牆呢？你就說，你的僕人赫人烏利亞也死了。
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撒下 11:23 使者對大衛說，敵人強過我們，出到郊野與我們打仗，但我們追殺他們，直到城門口。
撒下 11:24 射箭的從城牆上射王的僕人，射死幾個；你的僕人赫人烏利亞也死了。
撒下 11:25 大衛對使者說，你對約押這樣說，不要因這事難過，刀劍或吞滅這人或吞滅那人，沒有一定的；你只管竭力攻城，將城傾覆。你要用這話勉勵約押。
撒下 11:26 烏利亞的妻子聽見丈夫烏利亞死了，就爲他哀哭。

撒下 11:27 哀哭的日子過了，大衛差人將她接到宮裏，她就作了大衛的妻子，給大衛生了一個兒子。但大衛所行的這事，耶和華甚不喜悅。
彼前 4:1 基督既在肉身受過苦，你們也當用同樣的心思武裝自己，（因爲在肉身[4]受過苦的，就與罪斷絕了；）
◊註4—享樂激起我們肉體的情慾，(2,)苦難卻使情慾冷卻。基督救贖的目的是要拯救我們脫離所承受虛妄的生活。（一18～19。）在這目的上，苦難回應基督的救贖，保守我們脫離犯罪的生活，脫離放蕩的洪流。（3～4。）這樣的苦難多半來自逼迫，這是神在祂行政對付裏的管教。經歷這樣的苦難，就是在肉身中受神審判、對付並管教。（6。）因此我們當用清明自守的心思武裝自己，以忍受這樣的苦難。

二大衛的罪，乃是他放縱眼目情慾和肉體情慾的結果；（撒下十一2～3；）大衛濫用他王權的勢力，（4～5，）搶奪人，故意犯姦淫。

撒下 11:2 一日，傍晚時分，大衛從牀上起來，在王宮的平頂上散步，從平頂上看見一個婦人沐浴，容貌甚美。
撒下 11:3 大衛就差人打聽那婦人是誰。有人說，她不是別人，乃是以連的女兒，赫人烏利亞的妻子拔示巴。
撒下 11:4 大衛差使者去，將婦人接來；她來了，大衛就與她同房。（那時她的月經纔得潔淨。）事後她回家去了。
撒下 11:5 後來婦人懷了孕，就打發人去告訴大衛說，我懷了孕。

三大衛犯下了這樣的事之後，又裝假設法遮蓋他的惡行；（6～13；）然後，他串通約押，謀

2 Sam. 11:19 And he commanded the messenger, saying, When you have finished telling the king all the things concerning the battle,
2 Sam. 11:20 If the king's anger rises up and he says to you, Why did you go so close to the city to fight? Did you not know that they would shoot from the wall?
2 Sam. 11:21 Who struck down Abimelech the son of Jerubbesheth? Did not a woman throw an upper millstone upon him from the wall so that he died at Thebez? Why did you go so close to the wall? Then you shall say, Your servant Uriah the Hittite is also dead.

2 Sam. 11:22 So the messenger went, and he came and told David all that Joab had sent him for.

2 Sam. 11:23 And the messenger said to David, The men prevailed against us and came out to us in the field, but we drove them back to the entrance of the gate.
2 Sam. 11:24 Then the archers shot at your servants from the wall, and some of the king's servants died. And your servant Uriah the Hittite is also dead.
2 Sam. 11:25 Then David said to the messenger, Thus shall you say to Joab, Do not let this matter displease you, for the sword devours one as well as another. Strengthen your fighting against the city and overthrow it. And encourage him.
2 Sam. 11:26 And when the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she made lamentation for her husband.
2 Sam. 11:27 And when the mourning was over, David sent for her and brought her to his house; and she became his wife and bore a son to him. But the thing that David did displeased Jehovah.

1 Pet. 4:1 Since Christ therefore has suffered in the flesh, you also arm yourselves with the same mind (because he who has [4]suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin),
◊Footnote 4—Pleasure heats up the lusts of our flesh (v. 2); suffering cools them down. The purpose of Christ's redemption is to deliver us from our inherited vain manner of life (1:18-19). Suffering responds to Christ's redemption in fulfilling this purpose, preserving us from a sinful manner of life, from the flood of dissoluteness (vv. 3-4). Such suffering, mainly from persecution, is God's discipline in His governmental dealing. To undergo such suffering is to be judged, dealt with, and disciplined in the flesh by God (v. 6). Hence, we should arm ourselves with a sober mind to endure such suffering.

B. David's sin was the issue of his indulging the lust of the eyes and the lust of the flesh (2 Sam. 11:2-3); David, abusing the power of his kingship (vv. 4-5), committed willful adultery by robbery.

2 Sam. 11:2 And late one afternoon David rose from his bed and went for a walk on the roof of the king's house. And from the roof he saw a woman bathing, and the woman was very beautiful to look at.
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C. After committing such an act, David tried to cover his evil deed by means of a pretense (vv. 6-13); then he murdered Uriah, his faithful

殺自己忠信的僕人烏利亞，好奪取烏利亞的妻子。（14～25，十二9。）

撒下 11:6 大衛差人到約押那裏，說，你打發赫人烏利亞到我這裏來。約押就打發烏利亞去見大衛。
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servant, by conspiring with Joab, so that he could take Uriah's wife (vv. 14-25; 12:9).

2 Sam. 11:6 Then David sent word to Joab: Send me Uriah the Hittite. So Joab sent Uriah to David.

2 Sam. 11:7 And Uriah came to him, and David asked how Joab was doing and how the people were doing and how the battle was going.
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2 Sam. 11:12 And David said to Uriah, Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back. So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day and the following.
2 Sam. 11:13 Then David invited him to eat and drink in his presence, and he made him drunk. Then in the evening he went forth to lie down on his bed with the servants of his lord, and he did not go down to his house.
2 Sam. 11:14 Then in the morning David wrote a letter to Joab and sent it by the hand of Uriah.
2 Sam. 11:15 And he wrote in the letter, saying, Put Uriah in the forefront of the hardest battle, and withdraw from him that he may be struck down and die.
2 Sam. 11:16 So when Joab besieged the city, he assigned Uriah to the place where he knew the valiant men were.
2 Sam. 11:17 And the men of the city went forth and fought with Joab; and some of the people, some of the servants of David, fell. And Uriah the Hittite died also.
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撒下 12:9 你爲甚麼藐視耶和華的話，行祂眼中看爲惡的事？你用刀擊殺赫人烏利亞，又娶了他的妻子作你的妻子；你是藉亞捫人的刀殺了他。

四 大衛因着他這一個罪，干犯了十誡的後五條；（出二十 13～17；）大衛的罪大大的侮辱並得罪神，把他過去一切的成就，幾乎都抹煞了。

出 20:13 不可殺人。
出 20:14 不可姦淫。
出 20:15 不可偷盜。
出 20:16 不可作假見證陷害鄰舍。
出 20:17 不可貪愛鄰舍的房屋；也不可貪愛鄰舍的妻子、僕人、婢女、牛、驢、並他一切所有的。

五 大衛是合乎神心的人，（撒上十三 14，）使神有路開始君王時代，爲祂要來的基督建立神在地上的國，但他在放縱肉體情慾的事上失敗了；（王上十五 5；）在這事上大衛是鬆懈的，犧牲了他自己在對神屬靈追求的事上高超的成就；這該成爲我們眾人的警告。

撒上 13:14 但現在你的國必不得繼續存立。耶和華已經爲自己尋着一個合乎祂心的人，耶和華已經立他作百姓的領袖，因爲你沒有遵守耶和華所吩咐你的。
王上 15:5 因爲大衛除了赫人烏利亞那件事，都是行耶和華眼中看爲正的事，在世的日子沒有偏離耶和華一切所吩咐他的。

六 很可惜的是，大衛在那惡者試誘他的重要時刻，沒有極力控制自己的情慾，卻沉溺其中，犯了粗鄙的罪，得罪神到極點。

七 神愛大衛，然而大衛因着自己的罪，失去了立場和地位，並且失去了十二支派中的十一個支派；（撒下二十 1～2；）大衛的罪撒下所羅門敗壞的種子，（十二 24，）導致神所賜的國分裂；（王上十一 9～13，十二 1～17；）也撒下所羅門後裔在君王職分上敗壞的種子，至終導致他們失去國家和先祖的聖地，以致聖民被擄，分散到全地，沒有平安，直到今時。

2 Sam. 12:9 Why have you despised the word of Jehovah by doing what is evil in His sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword and have taken his wife as your wife and have slain him with the sword of the children of Ammon.

D. By his one sin David broke the last five of the Ten Commandments (Exo. 20:13-17); his sin was a great insult and offense to God, and it nearly annulled all his attainments from the past.

Exo. 20:13 You shall not kill.
Exo. 20:14 You shall not commit adultery.
Exo. 20:15 You shall not steal.
Exo. 20:16 You shall not testify with false testimony against your neighbor.
Exo. 20:17 You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that belongs to your neighbor.

E. David, being a man according to God's heart (1 Sam. 13:14), afforded God the way to begin the age of the kingship for the establishment of His kingdom on earth for His coming Christ, but he failed in the matter of the indulgence of the lust of the flesh (1 Kings 15:5); in this matter David was loose, and he sacrificed his high attainment in his spiritual pursuit of God; this should be a warning to all of us.

1 Sam. 13:14 But now your kingdom will not continue. Jehovah has sought a man according to His heart for Himself, and Jehovah has appointed him ruler over His people; for you have not kept that which Jehovah commanded you.
1 Kings 15:5 Because David did what was upright in the sight of Jehovah and did not turn aside from anything that He had commanded him all the days of his life, except in the matter of Uriah the Hittite.

F. How regrettable it was that David, at a crucial time of the evil one's temptation, did not exercise strong control over his lust but indulged in it and committed a gross sin that offended God to the uttermost.

G. God loved David, but because of his sin David lost his standing and position as well as eleven of the twelve tribes (2 Sam. 20:1-2); David's sin sowed the seed of Solomon's corruption (12:24), which issued in the dividing of the God-given kingdom (1 Kings 11:9-13; 12:1-17), and the seed of the corruption of Solomon's descendants in the kingship, which issued ultimately in the loss of the nation and of the holy land of their fathers, in the captivity of the holy people, and in their being scattered around the globe and having no peace up to the present time.

撒下 20:1 在那裏恰有一個卑劣之徒，名叫示巴，是便雅憫人比基利的兒子。他吹角，說，我們在大衛身上無分，在耶西的兒子身上無業。以色列人哪，你們各人回自己的帳棚去罷！

撒下 20:2 於是以色列人都離開大衛上去，不跟隨他，卻跟隨比基利的兒子示巴；但猶大人從約但河直到耶路撒冷，都緊緊跟隨他們的王。

撒下 12:24 大衛安慰他的妻子拔示巴，進到她那裏去，與她同寢，她就生了一個兒子，大衛給他起名叫所羅門。耶和華喜愛他，

王上 11:9 耶和華向所羅門發怒，因爲他的心偏離了耶和華以色列的神；耶和華曾兩次向他顯現，

王上 11:10 並曾爲這事吩咐他不可隨從別神；他卻沒有遵守耶和華所吩咐的。

王上 11:11 耶和華對所羅門說，你既行了這事，不遵守我所吩咐你守的約和律例，我必將你的國撕去，賜給你的臣僕。

王上 11:12 然而，因你父親大衛的緣故，我不在你活着的日子行這事，我必從你兒子的手中將國撕去。

王上 11:13 只是我不將全國從你撕去；我要因我僕人大衛和我所選擇的耶路撒冷，將一個支派留給你的兒子。

王上 12:1 羅波安往示劍去；因爲以色列眾人都到了示劍，要立他作王。

王上 12:2 尼八的兒子耶羅波安聽見這事，（那時他仍在埃及，因他先前躲避所羅門王，逃往埃及，就住在那裏；

王上 12:3 以色列人打發人去請他來，）他就和以色列全會眾都來見羅波安，對他說，

王上 12:4 你父親使我們負難負的軛；現在求你使你父親要我們作的苦工，並他加在我們身上的重軛輕鬆些，我們就事奉你。

王上 12:5 羅波安對他們說，你們暫且去三日，再來見我。民就去了。

王上 12:6 羅波安的父親所羅門在世的時候，有侍立在他面前的老年人，羅波安王和他們商議，說，你們給我出個甚麼主意，我好回覆這民。

王上 12:7 老年人對他說，今日你若作這民的僕人，服事他們，用好話回答他們，他們就會永遠作你的僕人。

王上 12:8 王卻棄絕老年人給他出的主意，反而和那些與他一同長大，在他面前侍立的少年人商議，

王上 12:9 說，這民對我說，求你使你父親加在我們身上的軛輕鬆些；你們出個甚麼主意，我們好回覆他們呢？

王上 12:10 那些與他一同長大的少年人說，這民對你說，你父親使我們負重軛，求你使我們輕鬆些；你要對他們如此說，我的小拇指頭比我父親的腰還粗。

王上 12:11 我父親使你們負重軛，我要加重你們的軛；我父親用鞭子責打你們，我要用蠍子鞭責打你們。

王上 12:12 耶羅波安和眾百姓照着羅波安王所說，你們第三日再來見我的那話，在第三日來了。

王上 12:13 王嚴厲的回答百姓；他棄絕了老年人所出的主意，

王上 12:14 卻照着少年人所出的主意對百姓說，我父親使你們負重

2 Sam. 20:1 Now there was a worthless fellow there whose name was Sheba, the son of Bichri, a Benjaminite. And he blew the trumpet and said, We have no portion in David, / Nor do we have an inheritance in the son of Jesse. / Every man to his tents, O Israel!

2 Sam. 20:2 And all the men of Israel went up from following David and followed Sheba the son of Bichri, but the men of Judah clung to their king, from the Jordan to Jerusalem.

2 Sam. 12:24 And David comforted Bath-sheba his wife and went in unto her and lay with her. And she bore a son, and he called his name Solomon. And Jehovah loved him;

1 Kings 11:9 So Jehovah became angry with Solomon because his heart turned away from Jehovah the God of Israel, who had appeared to him twice,

1 Kings 11:10 And who had commanded him concerning this very matter, not to go after other gods; but he did not keep that which Jehovah had commanded.

1 Kings 11:11 And Jehovah said to Solomon, Because you have done this and have not kept My covenant and My statutes, which I commanded you, I will surely tear the kingdom away from you and give it to your servant.

1 Kings 11:12 However I will not do it in your days, because of David your father; I will tear it out of your son's hand.

1 Kings 11:13 But I will not tear the whole kingdom away from you; I will give one tribe to your son because of David My servant and because of Jerusalem, which I have chosen.

1 Kings 12:1 Then Rehoboam went to Shechem, for all Israel had come to Shechem to make him king.

1 Kings 12:2 And when Jeroboam the son of Nebat heard of it (for he was still in Egypt, where he had fled from King Solomon; and Jeroboam dwelt in Egypt;

1 Kings 12:3 And they sent word to him and called him), Jeroboam and all the congregation of Israel came and spoke to Rehoboam, saying,

1 Kings 12:4 Your father made our yoke hard. Now therefore make the hard service of your father and his heavy yoke that he put upon us lighter, and we will serve you.

1 Kings 12:5 And he said to them, Go away for another three days, then return to me. And the people went away.

1 Kings 12:6 Then King Rehoboam took counsel with the elders who attended Solomon his father while he was alive, saying, What counsel do you give me to return as an answer to this people?

1 Kings 12:7 And they spoke to him, saying, If today you will be a servant to this people and serve them and answer them and speak good words to them, then they will be your servants always.

1 Kings 12:8 But he forsook the counsel of the elders with which they counseled him and took counsel with the young men who had grown up with him, who attended him.

1 Kings 12:9 And he said to them, What counsel do you give me that we may return an answer to this people who have spoken to me, saying, Lighten the yoke that your father put upon us?

1 Kings 12:10 And the young men who grew up with him spoke to him, saying, Thus shall you say to this people who have spoken to you, saying, Your father made our yoke heavy, but you must make it lighter on us; thus shall you speak to them, My little finger is thicker than my father's loins.

1 Kings 12:11 And now, whereas my father laid a heavy yoke upon you, I will increase your yoke; my father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

1 Kings 12:12 And Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam on the third day as the king had spoken, saying, Return to me on the third day.

1 Kings 12:13 And the king answered the people harshly; and he forsook the counsel of the elders that they had given him

1 Kings 12:14 And spoke to them according to the counsel of the young men, saying, My father made

輒，我要加重你們的軛；我父親用鞭子責打你們，我要用蠍子鞭責打你們。

王上 12:15 王不肯聽從百姓，因這事的轉變乃出於耶和華，爲要實現祂藉示羅人亞希雅對尼八的兒子耶羅波安所說的話。

王上 12:16 以色列眾人見王不聽從他們，就回覆王說，我們在大衛身上有甚麼分呢？我們在耶西的兒子身上並沒有產業。以色列阿，回你的帳棚去罷。大衛阿，顧你自己的家罷。於是，以色列人都往自己的帳棚去了。

王上 12:17 惟獨住猶大城邑的以色列人，羅波安仍作他們的王。

八從大衛的歷史我們能看見，落在神政治的手下是一件嚴重的事；（撒下十二 10 ～ 14；）大衛很快的與神恢復交通，但是神的管教，一直繼續到大衛死後。（15 下～二十 26。）

撒下 12:10 你既藐視我，娶了赫人烏利亞的妻子爲妻，故此刀劍必永不離開你的家。

撒下 12:11 耶和華如此說，看哪，我必從你家中興起禍患攻擊你；我必在你眼前把你的妻妾賜給與你親近的人，他必在日光之下與她們同寢。

撒下 12:12 你在暗中行這事，我卻要在全以色列面前，在日光之下施行報應。

撒下 12:13 大衛對拿單說，我得罪耶和華了。拿單說，耶和華已經除掉你的罪，你必不至於死。

撒下 12:14 只是你因着行這事，叫耶和華的仇敵大得褻瀆的機會，故此，你所得的兒子必定要死。

撒下十二 15 下～二十 26 （畧）

九大衛藉着認罪，與神的交通就恢復，如詩篇五十一篇所啓示的，但他落在神政治的手下；大衛失敗後，他家中發生許多惡事，包括亂倫、謀殺和背叛—撒下十二 15 下～二十 26。

詩 51 標題大衛與拔示巴同房以後，申言者拿單來見他；那時他作了這詩，交與歌詠長。

詩 51:1 神阿，求你按你的慈愛恩待我，按你豐盛的憐恤塗抹我的過犯。

詩 51:2 求你將我的罪孽洗滌淨盡，並潔淨我的罪。

詩 51:3 因爲我知道我的過犯，我的罪常在我面前。

詩 51:4 我向你犯罪，惟獨得罪了你；我在你眼前行了這惡。因此你責備的時候，顯爲公義；判斷的時候，顯爲清正。

詩 51:5 看哪，我是在罪孽裏生的，我母親在罪中懷了我。

詩 51:6 看哪，你所喜愛的，是內裏真實；你在我隱密處，必使我認識智慧。

your yoke heavy, but I will increase your yoke; my father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

1 Kings 12:15 So the king did not listen to the people, for this turn of events was of Jehovah that He might establish His word which Jehovah had spoken through Ahijah the Shilonite to Jeroboam the son of Nebat.

1 Kings 12:16 And when all Israel saw that the king would not listen to them, the people returned an answer to the king, saying, What portion do we have in David? Neither do we have an inheritance in the son of Jesse. To your tents, O Israel. Now see to your own house, O David. And Israel went to their tents.

1 Kings 12:17 But as for the children of Israel who dwelt in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them.

H. We can see from the history of David that falling under God's governmental hand is a serious matter (2 Sam. 12:10-14); David restored his fellowship with God very quickly, but God's discipline continued even after his death (v. 15b—20:26).

2 Sam. 12:10 Now therefore the sword will not depart from your house forever because you have despised Me and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife.

2 Sam. 12:11 Thus says Jehovah, I will now raise up trouble against you from within your house; and I will take your wives before your eyes and will give them to your companion, and he will lie with your wives in the sight of this sun.

2 Sam. 12:12 For you did this secretly, but I will do this thing before all Israel and even before the sun.

2 Sam. 12:13 And David said to Nathan, I have sinned against Jehovah. And Nathan said to David, Jehovah has also put away your sin; you will not die.

2 Sam. 12:14 Nevertheless, because you have given the enemies of Jehovah much occasion to blaspheme Him because of this thing, the son who is born to you shall also surely die.

2 Sam. 12:15b—20:26 (omitted)

I. Through the confessing of his sins, David's fellowship with God was restored, as revealed in Psalm 51, but he came under God's governmental hand; after his failure many evils, including incest, murder, and rebellion, took place among his family—2 Sam. 12:15b—20:26.

Psa. 51 Title To the choir director. A Psalm of David, when Nathan the prophet came to him, after he had gone in to Bath-sheba

Psa. 51:1 Be gracious to me, O God, according to Your lovingkindness; / According to the greatness of Your compassions blot out my transgressions.

Psa. 51:2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, / And from my sin cleanse me.

Psa. 51:3 For I do know my transgressions, / And my sin is before me continually.

Psa. 51:4 Against You and You alone have I sinned, / And I have done what is evil in Your sight. / Therefore You are righteous when You speak; / You are clear when You judge.

Psa. 51:5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, / And in sin did my mother conceive me.

Psa. 51:6 Behold, You delight in truth in the inward parts; / And in the hidden part You would make known wisdom to me.

詩 51:7　求你用牛膝草潔除我的罪，我就潔淨；求你洗滌我，我就比雪更白。
詩 51:8　求你使我得聽歡喜快樂的聲音，使你所壓傷的骨頭，可以踴躍。
詩 51:9　求你掩面不看我的罪，塗抹我一切的罪孽。
詩 51:10　神阿，求你爲我造清潔的心，使我裏面重新有正直的靈。
詩 51:11　不要丟棄我，使我離開你的面；不要從我取去你聖別的靈。
詩 51:12　求你使我復得你救恩之樂，賜我樂意的靈扶持我。
詩 51:13　我必將你的道路指教有過犯的人，罪人必回轉歸向你。
詩 51:14　神阿，拯救我的神阿，求你救我脫離流人血的罪；我的舌頭就歡唱你的公義。
詩 51:15　主阿，求你使我嘴唇張開，我的口便傳揚讚美你的話。
詩 51:16　你本不喜愛祭物；若喜愛，我就獻上；燔祭你也不喜悅。
詩 51:17　神所要的祭，就是憂傷的靈；神阿，憂傷痛悔的心，你必不輕看。
詩 51:18　求你按你的美意善待錫安，建造耶路撒冷的城牆。
詩 51:19　那時，你必喜愛公義的祭、燔祭、並全牲的燔祭；那時，人必將公牛獻在你壇上。
撒下十二 15 下～二十 26　（畧）

十 神在大衛身上施行嚴厲的懲罰，因爲他所犯的罪太邪惡了；大衛家中這空前罪惡的源頭，乃是大衛放縱肉體的情慾；這表明神對愛祂之人的懲治和行政的對付，甚至會影響他們的兒女。

十一 在我們與基督的關係上，這對我們應當是嚴肅的警示和警戒；我們的所是、我們的願望、我們的意圖、以及我們如何行事爲人，都與我們留在基督裏，有分於祂一切追測不盡之豐富作我們的享受，有極大的關係；我們若在以上所題的任何事上與神不對了，就會失去基督作我們的享受。

十二 包羅萬有的基督是我們的居所，我們包羅萬有的美地，以及我們所需的一切，作我們的享受，但如果我們與祂的關係不正確，祂就要把我們從祂自己裏面吐出去，不再讓我們享受祂—利十八 25，啓三 16。

利 18:25　因爲那地受了玷污，所以我向那地追討罪孽，那地也吐出其中的居民。
啓 3:16　你既如溫水，也不熱也不冷，我就要從我口中把你吐出去。

十三 最終，大衛不但變得老邁，並且漸漸衰萎；大

Psa. 51:7　Purge my sin with hyssop, and I will be clean; / Wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.
Psa. 51:8　Let me hear gladness and joy, / That the bones which You have broken may exult.
Psa. 51:9　Hide Your face from my sins, / And blot out all my iniquities.
Psa. 51:10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, / And renew a steadfast spirit within me.
Psa. 51:11 Do not cast me from Your presence, / And do not take the Spirit of Your holiness away from me.
Psa. 51:12 Restore to me the gladness of Your salvation, / And sustain me with a willing spirit.
Psa. 51:13 I will teach transgressors Your ways, / And sinners will turn back to You.
Psa. 51:14 Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation; / And my tongue will ring forth Your righteousness.
Psa. 51:15 O Lord, open my lips, / And my mouth will declare Your praise.
Psa. 51:16 For You do not delight in sacrifice; / Otherwise I would offer it; / You take no pleasure in burnt offerings.
Psa. 51:17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; / A broken and a contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.
Psa. 51:18 Do good in Your good pleasure unto Zion; / Build the walls of Jerusalem.
Psa. 51:19 Then You will delight in the sacrifices of righteousness, / In burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings; / Then they will offer bulls upon Your altar.
2 Sam. 12:15b—20:26　(omitted)

J. God exercised a severe punishment upon David because his sin was very evil; the source of the unprecedented evil in David's family was David's indulgence in the lust of the flesh; this shows that God's chastisement and His governmental dealing with those who love Him may even affect their children.

K. This should be a solemn alarm and warning to us in our relationship with Christ; what we are, what we desire, what we intend to do, and how we behave have very much to do with our remaining in Christ and participating in all of His unsearchable riches for our enjoyment; if we are not right with God in any of these matters, we will suffer the loss of Christ as our enjoyment.

L. The all-inclusive Christ as our dwelling place, our all-inclusive good land, and everything we need for our enjoyment will vomit us out of Himself and not allow us to enjoy Him any longer if we are not proper in relation to Him—Lev. 18:25; Rev. 3:16.

Lev. 18:25 Because the land has become defiled, I visited its iniquity upon it, and the land vomited out its inhabitants.
Rev. 3:16　So, because you are lukewarm and neither hot nor cold, I am about to spew you out of My mouth.

M. Eventually, David not only became old but also was fading away;

衛的一生有美好的開始，如同明亮的日頭升起，他的生平同他的事業如日中天；然而，他的放縱情慾（撒下十一1～27）破壞了他的事業，使他輝煌的生平衰萎，如日落黃昏；大衛晚年沒有甚麼輝煌、優越、或光彩的事。（王上一1～4，參申三四7，創四八14～16，箴四18。）

撒下 11:1 到了年初，列王出戰的時候，大衛差派約押和跟隨他的臣僕，並以色列全軍出戰；他們殲毀亞捫人，圍攻拉巴。但大衛仍住在耶路撒冷。
撒下 11:2 一日，傍晚時分，大衛從牀上起來，在王宮的平頂上散步，從平頂上看見一個婦人沐浴，容貌甚美。
撒下 11:3 大衛就差人打聽那婦人是誰。有人說，她不是別人，乃是以連的女兒，赫人烏利亞的妻子拔示巴。
撒下 11:4 大衛差使者去，將婦人接來；她來了，大衛就與她同房。（那時她的月經纔得潔淨。）事後她回家去了。
撒下 11:5 後來婦人懷了孕，就打發人去告訴大衛說，我懷了孕。
撒下 11:6 大衛差人到約押那裏，說，你打發赫人烏利亞到我這裏來。約押就打發烏利亞去見大衛。
撒下 11:7 烏利亞來了，大衛問約押好，也問眾兵好，又問爭戰的事怎樣。
撒下 11:8 大衛對烏利亞說，你下到家裏去，洗洗腳罷。烏利亞出了王宮，隨後王送他一分食物。
撒下 11:9 烏利亞卻和他主人的眾僕人一同睡在王宮門外，沒有下到自己家裏去。
撒下 11:10 有人告訴大衛說，烏利亞沒有下到自己家裏去。大衛就問烏利亞說，你從遠路回來，爲甚麼不下到自己家裏去呢？
撒下 11:11 烏利亞對大衛說，約櫃和以色列與猶大兵都住在棚裏，我主約押和我主的僕人都在田野安營；我豈可回家喫喝，與妻子同寢呢？我指着王和王的性命起誓，我絕不行這事！
撒下 11:12 大衛對烏利亞說，你今日仍住在這裏，明日我纔打發你去。於是烏利亞那日和次日住在耶路撒冷。
撒下 11:13 大衛召請烏利亞來，叫他在自己面前喫喝，使他喝醉。到了晚上，烏利亞出去與他主的僕人一同住宿，並沒有下到自己家裏去。
撒下 11:14 次日早晨，大衛寫信與約押，交烏利亞親手帶去。
撒下 11:15 信內寫着說，要派烏利亞到戰事最激烈的前方，你們便退後，使他被擊殺而死。
撒下 11:16 於是約押在圍城的時候，知道敵人那裏有勇士，便將烏利亞派在那裏。
撒下 11:17 城裏的人出來和約押打仗；民中有幾個大衛的僕人陣亡了，赫人烏利亞也死了。
撒下 11:18 約押差人去將爭戰的一切事告訴大衛；
撒下 11:19 又囑咐使者說，你把爭戰的一切事對王說完了，

David's life had a good beginning, like the bright sun rising, and his life with his career became like the sun shining at noon; however, his indulgence in lust (2 Sam. 11:1-27) spoiled his career and caused his bright life to fade like the sunset in the evening; in David's old age there was nothing bright, excellent, or splendid (1 Kings 1:1-4; cf. Deut. 34:7; Gen. 48:14-16; Prov. 4:18).

2 Sam. 11:1 And at the turn of the year, at the time when kings go forth to battle, David sent out Joab and his servants with him and all Israel; and they destroyed the children of Ammon and besieged Rabbah. But David remained in Jerusalem.
2 Sam. 11:2 And late one afternoon David rose from his bed and went for a walk on the roof of the king's house. And from the roof he saw a woman bathing, and the woman was very beautiful to look at.
2 Sam. 11:3 And David sent and inquired about the woman. And someone said, This is none other than Bath-sheba the daughter of Eliam and wife of Uriah the Hittite.
2 Sam. 11:4 And David sent messengers and took her; and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she had just purified herself from her uncleanness.) And she returned to her house.
2 Sam. 11:5 And the woman conceived; and she sent word and told David and said, I am pregnant.
2 Sam. 11:6 Then David sent word to Joab: Send me Uriah the Hittite. So Joab sent Uriah to David.

2 Sam. 11:7 And Uriah came to him, and David asked how Joab was doing and how the people were doing and how the battle was going.
2 Sam. 11:8 And David said to Uriah, Go down to your house, and wash your feet. And Uriah went forth from the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king.
2 Sam. 11:9 But Uriah lay down at the entrance to the king's house with all the servants of his lord and did not go down to his house.
2 Sam. 11:10 And they told David, saying, Uriah did not go down to his house. Then David said to Uriah, Have you not just come from a journey? Why have you not gone down to your house?
2 Sam. 11:11 And Uriah said to David, The Ark and Israel and Judah dwell in huts, and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are encamped in the open field. Shall I then go to my house to eat and drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live and your soul lives, I shall by no means do this thing!
2 Sam. 11:12 And David said to Uriah, Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back. So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day and the following.
2 Sam. 11:13 Then David invited him to eat and drink in his presence, and he made him drunk. Then in the evening he went forth to lie down on his bed with the servants of his lord, and he did not go down to his house.
2 Sam. 11:14 Then in the morning David wrote a letter to Joab and sent it by the hand of Uriah.
2 Sam. 11:15 And he wrote in the letter, saying, Put Uriah in the forefront of the hardest battle, and withdraw from him that he may be struck down and die.
2 Sam. 11:16 So when Joab besieged the city, he assigned Uriah to the place where he knew the valiant men were.
2 Sam. 11:17 And the men of the city went forth and fought with Joab; and some of the people, some of the servants of David, fell. And Uriah the Hittite died also.
2 Sam. 11:18 And Joab sent a messenger to tell David all the things concerning the battle;
2 Sam. 11:19 And he commanded the messenger, saying, When you have finished telling the king all the

撒下 11:20 王若發怒，對你說，你們打仗爲甚麼挨近城呢？豈不知敵人必從城牆上射箭麼？
撒下 11:21 從前打死耶路比設兒子亞比米勒的是誰呢？豈不是一個婦人從城牆上拋下一塊上磨石來，打在他身上，他就死在提備斯麼？你們爲甚麼挨近城牆呢？你就說，你的僕人赫人烏利亞也死了。
撒下 11:22 使者就去了；他來見大衛，將約押打發他去說的一切話奏告大衛。
撒下 11:23 使者對大衛說，敵人強過我們，出到郊野與我們打仗，但我們追殺他們，直到城門口。
撒下 11:24 射箭的從城牆上射王的僕人，射死幾個；你的僕人赫人烏利亞也死了。
撒下 11:25 大衛對使者說，你對約押這樣說，不要因這事難過，刀劍或吞滅這人或吞滅那人，沒有一定的；你只管竭力攻城，將城傾覆。你要用這話勉勵約押。
撒下 11:26 烏利亞的妻子聽見丈夫烏利亞死了，就爲他哀哭。

撒下 11:27 哀哭的日子過了，大衛差人將她接到宮裏，她就作了大衛的妻子，給大衛生了一個兒子。但大衛所行的這事，耶和華甚不喜悅。
王上 1:1 大衛王年紀老邁，雖用衣服遮蓋，仍不覺暖。

王上 1:2 所以臣僕對他說，不如爲我主我王尋找一個年少的處女，使她侍立在王面前，照料王，睡在王的懷中，好叫我主我王得暖。
王上 1:3 於是他們在以色列全境尋找美貌的少女，尋得書念女子亞比煞，就帶到王那裏。
王上 1:4 這少女極其美貌，她照料王，伺候王，王卻沒有與她親近。

申 34:7 摩西死的時候，年一百二十歲；眼目沒有昏花，精神沒有衰敗。
創 48:14 但以色列伸出右手來，按在以法蓮的頭上（以法蓮乃是次子，）又剪搭過左手來，按在瑪拿西的頭上（瑪拿西原是長子。）
創 48:15 他就給約瑟祝福說，願我祖亞伯拉罕和我父以撒行事爲人都在祂面前的神，就是一生牧養我直到今日的神，
創 48:16 那救贖我脫離一切患難的使者，賜福與這兩個少年人。願他們歸在我的名下，和我祖亞伯拉罕、我父以撒的名下。又願他們在這地生養眾多。
箴 4:18 但義人的途徑好像黎明的光，越照越明，直到日午。

十四 基督徒的一生，就是在那裏學神的政治；我們種的是甚麼，收的也是甚麼；我們越是寬大的對待人，神也越寬大的對待我們；我們如果刻薄、

things concerning the battle,
2 Sam. 11:20 If the king's anger rises up and he says to you, Why did you go so close to the city to fight? Did you not know that they would shoot from the wall?
2 Sam. 11:21 Who struck down Abimelech the son of Jerubbesheth? Did not a woman throw an upper millstone upon him from the wall so that he died at Thebez? Why did you go so close to the wall? Then you shall say, Your servant Uriah the Hittite is also dead.

2 Sam. 11:22 So the messenger went, and he came and told David all that Joab had sent him for.

2 Sam. 11:23 And the messenger said to David, The men prevailed against us and came out to us in the field, but we drove them back to the entrance of the gate.
2 Sam. 11:24 Then the archers shot at your servants from the wall, and some of the king's servants died. And your servant Uriah the Hittite is also dead.
2 Sam. 11:25 Then David said to the messenger, Thus shall you say to Joab, Do not let this matter displease you, for the sword devours one as well as another. Strengthen your fighting against the city and overthrow it. And encourage him.
2 Sam. 11:26 And when the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she made lamentation for her husband.
2 Sam. 11:27 And when the mourning was over, David sent for her and brought her to his house; and she became his wife and bore a son to him. But the thing that David did displeased Jehovah.

1 Kings 1:1 Now when King David was old and advanced in years, they covered him with clothing, but he could not get warm.
1 Kings 1:2 So his servants said to him, Let a young virgin be sought for my lord the king, and let her wait on the king and serve him; and let her lie in your bosom so that my lord the king may get warm.

1 Kings 1:3 Thus they sought for a beautiful young woman throughout all the territory of Israel, and they found Abishag the Shunammite and brought her to the king.
1 Kings 1:4 And the young woman was very beautiful, and she served the king and ministered to him; but the king did not know her.
Deut. 34:7 And Moses was a hundred and twenty years old when he died; his eye was not dim, nor had his freshness left him.
Gen. 48:14 But Israel stretched out his right hand and laid it upon Ephraim's head-although he was the younger-and his left hand upon Manasseh's head, guiding his hands with insight, even though Manasseh was the firstborn.
Gen. 48:15 And he blessed Joseph and said, / The God before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac walked, / The God who has shepherded me all my life to this day,
Gen. 48:16 The Angel who has redeemed me from all evil, bless the boys; / And may my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; / And may they be a teeming multitude in the midst of the earth.
Prov. 4:18 But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, / Which shines brighter and brighter until the full day.

N. The Christian life is a life of learning God's government; we reap what we sow; the more generous we are to others, the more generous God will be to us; if we are mean and severe to our brothers, God will be mean and

嚴格的對待弟兄，神也要刻薄、嚴格的對待我們；人生病或碰着困難的時候，是我們該幫助的時候，不是我們該批評的時候—加六 7，帖前五 14 ～ 15，路六 36 ～ 38，太七 1 ～ 2：

加 6:7 不要受迷惑，神是嗤慢不得的，因爲人種的是甚麼，收的也是甚麼。
帖前 5:14 弟兄們，我們勸你們，要勸戒不守規矩的人，撫慰灰心的人，扶持輭弱的人，又要對眾人恆忍。
帖前 5:15 你們要當心，誰都不可以惡報惡，卻要在彼此相待，或對待眾人上，常常竭力追求良善。
路 6:36 你們要有憐恤，正如你們的父有憐恤一樣。
路 6:37 你們不要審判，就絕不會受審判；你們不要定罪，就絕不會被定罪；你們要赦免人，就必蒙赦免。
路 6:38 你們要給人，就必有給你們的，用十足的量器，連搖帶按，上尖下流的倒在你們懷裏；因爲你們用甚麼量器量給人，也必用甚麼量器量給你們。
太 7:1 不要審判，免得你們受審判；
太 7:2 因爲你們用甚麼審判審判人，也必受甚麼審判；你們用甚麼量器量給人，也必用甚麼量器量給你們。

1 我們要學習作一個寬大赦免人的人；我們若嚴厲對待人，神也要嚴厲對待我們；我們該避免批評、定罪、或隨便說人；我們批評人，隨便說人，我們所批評所說的事，常常會成爲對我們自己的審判—六 15，十八 23 ～ 35。

太 6:15 你們若不赦免人的過犯，你們的父也必不赦免你們的過犯。
太 18:23 因此，諸天的國好比一個作君王的人，要和他的奴僕算賬。

太 18:24 纔算的時候，有人帶了一個欠一萬他連得銀子的來。
太 18:25 因爲他沒有甚麼可償還的，主人吩咐把他和他的妻子兒女，並一切所有的都賣了來償還。
太 18:26 那奴僕就俯伏拜他，說，寬容我，將來我都要還清。
太 18:27 那奴僕的主人就動了慈心，把他釋放，並且免了他的債。

太 18:28 但那奴僕出來，遇見一個和他同作奴僕的，欠他一百銀幣，便揪住他，掐住他的喉嚨，說，你所欠的，都要償還。
太 18:29 那和他同作奴僕的，俯伏央求他說，寬容我，將來我必還你。
太 18:30 他卻不肯，竟去把他下在監裏，等他還清所欠的債。

太 18:31 那些和他同作奴僕的，看見所發生的事，就甚憂愁，去把一切所發生的事，都完全告訴他們的主人。
太 18:32 於是主人把他叫來，對他說，你這惡僕，因你央求我，我

severe toward us; when others are sick or in trouble, it is the time for us to help them, not the time for us to criticize them—Gal. 6:7; 1 Thes. 5:14-15; Luke 6:36-38; Matt. 7:1-2:

Gal. 6:7 Do not be deceived: God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap.

1 Thes. 5:14 And we exhort you, brothers, Admonish the disorderly, console the fainthearted, sustain the weak, be long-suffering toward all.
1 Thes. 5:15 See that no one repays anyone evil for evil, but always pursue what is good both for one another and for all.
Luke 6:36 Be full of compassion, even as your Father also is full of compassion.
Luke 6:37 And do not judge, and you shall by no means be judged; and do not condemn, and you shall by no means be condemned; release, and you will be released;
Luke 6:38 Give, and it will be given to you; a good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, they will give into your bosom. For with what measure you measure, it shall be measured to you in return.
Matt. 7:1 Do not judge, that you be not judged.
Matt. 7:2 For with what judgment you judge, you shall be judged; and with what measure you measure, it shall be measured to you.

1. We must learn to be generous and forgiving persons; if we are severe toward others, God will be severe toward us; we should avoid criticizing, condemning, or speaking about others in a light way; our criticism and careless comments about others often become a judgment upon ourselves—6:15; 18:23-35.

Matt. 6:15 But if you do not forgive men their offenses, neither will your Father forgive your offenses.
Matt. 18:23 For this reason the kingdom of the heavens has become like a king who desired to settle accounts with his slaves.
Matt. 18:24 And when he began to settle them, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him.
Matt. 18:25 But since he did not have the means to repay, the master commanded him to be sold, as well as his wife and children and all that he had, and repayment to be made.
Matt. 18:26 Then the slave fell down and worshipped him, saying, Be patient with me and I will repay you all.
Matt. 18:27 And the master of that slave was moved with compassion and released him and forgave him the loan.
Matt. 18:28 But that slave went out and found one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii, and he took hold of him and began to choke him, saying, Repay me what you owe.
Matt. 18:29 Then his fellow slave fell down and begged him, saying, Be patient with me and I will repay you.
Matt. 18:30 But he would not; instead, he went away and threw him into prison until he would repay what was owed.
Matt. 18:31 Then his fellow slaves, seeing what had taken place, were greatly grieved and came and explained fully to their master all that had taken place.
Matt. 18:32 Then his master called him to him and said to him, Evil slave, all that debt I forgave you,

就把你一切所欠的都免了；
太 18:33 你豈不應當憐憫和你同作奴僕的，像我憐憫你麼？
太 18:34 主人就大怒，把他交給掌刑的，直到他還清了一切所欠的債。
太 18:35 你們各人若不從心裏赦免你的弟兄，我天父也要這樣待你們了。

2 有許多弟兄今天跌倒得不像樣，沒有別的，就是因爲他們從前批評別人太厲害；他們今天許多的輭弱，都是他們從前批評人的。

3 我們蒙召是要祝福別人，所以我們這些蒙福的人該一直祝福別人，好叫我們承受福分；我們所給別人的祝福，自己也要承受—彼前三 8 ～ 11，太十 13，參民六 22 ～ 27。

彼前 3:8 總之，你們眾人都要心思一致，同情體恤，弟兄相愛，心存慈憐，心思卑微。
彼前 3:9 不以惡報惡，或以辱罵還辱罵，倒要祝福，因你們是爲此蒙召，好叫你們承受福分。
彼前 3:10 因爲『那想要愛生命，看見好日子的，要禁止舌頭不出惡言，嘴脣不說詭詐的話；
彼前 3:11 也要離惡行善，尋求和睦，竭力追逐；
太 10:13 那家若配得，就讓你們的平安臨到那家；若不配得，就讓你們的平安仍歸你們。
民 6:22 耶和華對摩西說，
民 6:23 你要對亞倫和他兒子們說，你們要這樣爲以色列人祝福，說，
民 6:24 願耶和華賜福給你，保護你；
民 6:25 願耶和華使祂的面光照你，賜恩給你；
民 6:26 願耶和華向你仰臉，賜你平安。
民 6:27 他們要如此將我的名賜給以色列人，好使我賜福給他們。

because you begged me.
Matt. 18:33 Should you not also have had mercy on your fellow slave even as I had mercy on you?
Matt. 18:34 And his master became angry and delivered him to the torturers until he would repay all that was owed.
Matt. 18:35 So also will My heavenly Father do to you if each of you does not forgive his brother from your hearts.

2. There are many brothers who have fallen miserably today for one reason only—they have criticized others too severely in the past, and many of their weaknesses today are the very weaknesses that they criticized in the past.

3. We have been called to bless others, so we, as a blessed people, should always bless others that we may inherit blessing; what we bless others with, we will inherit ourselves—1 Pet. 3:8-11; Matt. 10:13; cf. Num. 6:22-27.

1 Pet. 3:8 And finally be all of the same mind, sympathetic, loving the brothers, tenderhearted, humble-minded;
1 Pet. 3:9 Not rendering evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary blessing one another, because you were called to this, that you might inherit blessing.
1 Pet. 3:10 For "he who desires to love life and see good days, let him cause his tongue to cease from evil and his lips to speak no guile.
1 Pet. 3:11 And let him turn away from evil and do good; let him seek peace and pursue it;
Matt. 10:13 And if the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you.
Num. 6:22 Then Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,
Num. 6:23 Speak to Aaron and to his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the children of Israel; you shall say to them,
Num. 6:24 Jehovah bless you and keep you;
Num. 6:25 Jehovah make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you;
Num. 6:26 Jehovah lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
Num. 6:27 So shall they put My name upon the children of Israel, that I Myself may bless them.