

THE PEOPLE OF GOD – SERIES 2 Bible Reading Plan, January - April 2019

David

His foundation for power and purpose

A man after God's own heart...

Shepherd boy Protector Military hero Psalmist **Musician** King Leader and builder of cities Bringer of prosperity and blessing Forerunner of Christ

Murderer Adulterer Unfaithful Manipulator Poor father Poor example to children Vengeful at death and life

Abandoned to God

"¹³ When those who were carrying the ark of the LORD had taken six steps, he sacrificed a bull and a fattened calf.¹⁴ Wearing a linen ephod, David was dancing before the LORD with all his might, ¹⁵ while he and all Israel were bringing up the ark of the LORD with shouts and the sound of trumpets."

2 Samuel 6:13 -15



Acknowledging God's ultimate power and divinity

Bringing the ark into the city

disabled parking ONLY stupidity is not a disability

No idols to other gods built here!

God's Promise to David

"Go and tell my servant David, 'This is what the Lord has declared: Are you the one to build a house for me to live in? I have never lived in a house, from the day I brought the Israelites out of Egypt until this very day. I have always moved from one place to another with a tent and a Tabernacle as my dwelling. Yet no matter where I have gone with the Israelites, I have never once complained to Israel's tribal leaders, the shepherds of my people Israel. I have never asked them, "Why haven't you built me a beautiful cedar house?"

"Now go and say to my servant David, 'This is what the Lord of Heaven's Armies has declared: I took you from tending sheep in the pasture and selected you to be the leader of my people Israel. I have been with you wherever you have gone, and I have destroyed all your enemies before your eyes. Now I will make your name as famous as anyone who has ever lived on the earth! And I will provide a homeland for my people Israel, planting them in a secure place where they will never be disturbed. Evil nations won't oppress them as they've done in the past.

2 Samuel 7:1-10

David's prayer of thanks

"How great you are, O Sovereign Lord! There is no one like you. We have never even heard of another God like you! What other nation on earth is like your people Israel? What other nation, O God, have you redeemed from slavery to be your own people? You made a great name for yourself when you redeemed your people from Egypt. You performed awesome miracles and drove out the nations and gods that stood in their way."

2 Samuel 7:18-19

Handling the wrong calls in life!

Nathan the Prophet

So the Lord sent Nathan the prophet to tell David this story: "There were two men in a certain town. One was rich, and one was poor. The rich man owned a great many sheep and cattle. The poor man owned nothing but one little lamb he had bought. He raised that little lamb, and it grew up with his children. It ate from the man's own plate and drank from his cup. He cuddled it in his arms like a baby daughter. One day a guest arrived at the home of the rich man. But instead of killing an animal from his own flock or herd, he took the poor man's lamb and killed it and prepared it for his quest."

Nathan the Prophet

David was furious. "As surely as the Lord lives," he vowed, "any man who would do such a thing deserves to die! He must repay four lambs to the poor man for the one he stole and for having no pity."

Then Nathan said to David, "You are that man! The Lord, the God of Israel, says: I anointed you king of Israel and saved you from the power of Saul.

2 Samuel 12:1-7

3 Choices

3 years of famine
3 months of fleeing from your enemy
3 days of plague

What would you have chosen?

Ziklag Disaster



David found strength in the Lord