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Sermons in 1 Samuel

Here Comes the King!

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Today we conclude the 1 Samuel Sermon Series with a sermon from 2 Samuel! The long suffering David finally becomes king. A promise made some 15 years earlier is fulfilled. We are reminded that while we are fragile, God is faithful. David's secret of success... He never forgot who the true King of Glory really is!

<sup>2:1</sup> In the course of time, David inquired of the LORD. "Shall I go up to one of the towns of Judah?" he asked. The LORD said, "Go up." David asked, "Where shall I go?" "To Hebron," the LORD answered.

- <sup>2</sup> So David went up there with his two wives, Ahinoam of Jezreel and Abigail, the widow of Nabal of Carmel.
- <sup>3</sup> David also took the men who were with him, each with his family, and they settled in Hebron and its towns.

<sup>4</sup> Then the men of Judah came to Hebron, and there they anointed David king over the tribe of Judah.

1. God rewards David's trust with the fulfillment of a promise made when he was just a boy... Here Comes the King! Samuel

## God is the ultimate promise keeper

- There are around 3,000 promises of God in the Bible
  - These promises surround your past, your present, and your future
  - Most of God's promises are conditional on your response

3:1 The war between the house of Saul and the house of David lasted a long time. David grew stronger and stronger, while the house of Saul grew weaker and weaker.

2. When it all finally falls into place, the important thing to remember is... it never all falls into place.

The toughest temptations are the ones that ride in on the bandwagon of success



## David ran the gauntlet of temptation to reach the palace... and you will too

- The path to every "palace" is lined with land mines (Psalm 119:105)
- Most of those land mines look more like short-cuts until you step on them
- There is no temptation you will ever face that is more enticing than the promises
  God has made you

The temptations in your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted, he will show you a way out so that you can endure. (1 Corinthians 10:13, NLT)

- <sup>5:1</sup> All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, "We are your own flesh and blood.
- <sup>2</sup> In the past, while Saul was king over us, you were the one who led Israel on their military campaigns. And the LORD said to you, 'You will shepherd my people Israel, and you will become their ruler. ' "

<sup>3</sup> When all the elders of Israel had come to King David at Hebron, the king made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD, and they anointed David king over Israel.

<sup>4</sup> David was thirty years old when he became king, and he reigned forty years.

- <sup>9</sup> David then took up residence in the fortress and called it the City of David. He built up the area around it, from the terraces inward.
- <sup>10</sup> And he became more and more powerful, because the LORD God Almighty was with him.
- <sup>11</sup> Now Hiram king of Tyre sent envoys to David, along with cedar logs and carpenters and stonemasons, and they built a palace for David.

12 Then David knew that the LORD had established him as king over Israel and had exalted his kingdom for the sake of his people Israel.

<sup>17</sup> When the Philistines heard that David had been anointed king over Israel, they went up in full force to search for him, but David heard about it and went down to the stronghold.

18 Now the Philistines had come and spread out in the Valley of Rephaim; 19 so David inquired of the LORD, "Shall I go and attack the Philistines? Will you deliver them into my hands?" The LORD answered him, "Go, for I will surely deliver the Philistines into your hands."

<sup>20</sup> So David went to Baal Perazim, and there he defeated them. He said, "As waters break out, the LORD has broken out against my enemies before me." So that place was called Baal Perazim. <sup>21</sup> The Philistines abandoned their idols there, and David and his men carried them off.

3. Glory can be a trap or a treasure, the difference is always "to whom" the glory is directed!

1 Samuel

- Psalm 24 <sup>1</sup> The earth is the LORD 's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;
- <sup>2</sup> for he founded it on the seas and established it on the waters.
- <sup>3</sup> Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD? Who may stand in his holy place?.

- 4 The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god. <sup>5</sup> They will receive blessing from the LORD and vindication from God their Savior.
- <sup>6</sup> Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, God of Jacob,

- <sup>7</sup> Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
- <sup>8</sup> Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.
- <sup>9</sup> Lift up your heads, you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

<sup>10</sup> Who is he, this King of glory? The LORD Almighty—he is the King of glory.