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Among believers in the old Testament time, there is none that can be compared to the New Testament follower of Christ but DAVID. He was a believer in every area. I believe an inddepth study about his life will be a blessing to every one. May the Lord teach us in Jesus Name.”

1. DAVID WAS AND WORTH MORE THAN A KING
   David was not just a king, he was among other things a Singer, Warrior, Priest, Prophet, Shepherd and more importantly a dancer.

2. BEWARE, GOD HAS A SUBSTITUTE
   It is possible for us not to hear about David if not for king Saul's sin. It is important we know God has a substitute for any that disappoints Him.
INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series we learnt that in order for worship to be acceptable, worshipper must be holy and also that God does not see as man sees. As we continue with our study of David, may the Lord bless us richly in Jesus Name, Amen.

1. PRAISE GOD, GOD IS NOT A DEMOCRAT
   God is not a democrat or else David would never have been king. God is a Dictator, an Autocrat but a wonderful one.

   I Sam. 16:11-12; Gen. 1:1-4; Ps. 115:3; Ps. 33:11; Ps. 33:8-9; Job 33:13; Jer. 29:11; Jer. 1:4-5; Gal. 1:15-16; Rom. 9:17; Job. 21:29-30; Rom. 9:15-16.

2. WHEN YOUR DAY COMES; NOTHING CAN HINDER IT
   Wherever you may be, your destiny will fish you out. And when your day comes, nothing can stand in your way to hinder it.

   I Sam. 9:1-3; 17,21; I Kings 19:19-21; Jud. 6:11-16; Exo. 3:1-10; Jos 1:1-9, Gen. 41:8-14; Luke 1:5-20.
INTRODUCTION

In our last study, we were told that God can repeat miracle and that it takes diligence to make it to the top. As we continue in our study today, we pray that God’s blessings will be upon us in Jesus’ Name.

1. SONGS OF A BACKSLIDER
Songs of a Backslider are - "It is not possible for me", it can not be done, there is no hope and all the likes. Watch the word of your mouth and you will know your stand in the Lord.


2. SONGS OF THOSE STANDING FIRM
In the contrary, Songs of those firm in the Lord will be "I can do it", It is possible, there is a way out, because they know that with God all things are possible

INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we saw that the man God chooses, as His representative will also be His spoke's man. We also saw that God will anoint such a man. Today as we continue our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. THE CHOICE IS YOURS: EITHER TO HOUSE GOD OR DEMONS

As soon as David was anointed, he became a carrier of the Holy Spirit. You too can be with awesome results. On the other hand, anyone who chooses can also be a house full of demons.


2. IT IS DANGEROUS TO BE DISCARDED BY GOD

It is far better never to have been used of God than to be an ex-vessel unto honour. Those whom God discarded always ended badly.

1 Sam. 4:10-11; 14-22; Est. 1:19-21; Mt. 10:1; Mt. 27:3-5;
INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we saw that a person can choose to house God or demons. Also that it is dangerous to be discarded by God. Today, as we continue our studies, may God bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

MUSIC HAS A ROLE TO PLAY IN DELIVERANCE

Divine music drives demons away, just as worldly music invites them in. When Divine music is played, God is invited in, because He inhabits the praises of His people. And of course where God is present, demons cannot stay.

1 Sam. 16:14-23; 2 King 3:13-15; Ps. 22:3; Acts 16:25-26; Ps.
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In the last part of this series, we saw that Divine music drives away demons even as worldly music invites them in. So that those who knows how to praise God will enjoy continuous victory. As we continue in our study today, may God bless us richly, in Jesus name. Amen.

1. David was a skillful musician and a mighty man of valour

You too can be a skilled musician; because every man can play a ten-stringed instrument‘ so also can you be a mighty man of valour through the knowledge of God and the power of His might.

1 Sam. 16:17-18; Ps. 47:1; Ps. 33:1-3; Dan. 11:32; Eph. 6:10; Eph. 3:14-16; Isa. 40:28-31.

2. He was also a warrior and a prudent man

We are warrior too. Infact, we are chosen warriors. The main weapon of David was the Name of the LORD. That can be our weapon too. And we too can be prudent by sticking to the Word of God.

2 Tim. 2:3-4; Eph. 6:11-12; 1 Sam. 17:45; In. 14:14; Ph. 2:
INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we saw that, like David, we too can be skillful musicians, mighty men and women of valour, great warriors and prudent people. Today, as we continue our study, may the Lord bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. DIVINE PRESENCE SPELLS UNTOLD BLESSINGS

David was a handsome man, but there is a beauty far more excellent than physical beauty. If God is with any man, several blessings result.

1 Sam. 16: 17-18; Pro. 31:30; I Pet. 3:1-6; Ps. 110: 3; Ps. 149: 4; Exo. 3:11-12; Jos. 1:5-9; Jud. 6:12-16; Acts 10:38; Is. 43: 2; Dan. 3:23-25; Ps. 23:4; Gen. 39:2-5; Ps. 5:12; Pro. 3:33; Pro. 28: 20; Gen. 6: 8; Lk. 1:30; 2 Cor. 12:9; Ps. 75:6-7; Gen. 39: 20-23.

2. DIVINE ABSENCE SPELLS DOOM

If God is for us, who can be against us? But if God is

9-11; Eph. 6: 13-17; Mt. 1: 21; Mal. 4:2; Heb. 12: 2; Isa. 9: 6; Jn. 1:1; 14; Jn. 14: 6; I Cor. 1: 22-24; Jn. 8:3-11; Mt. 22:15-22; Mt. 4:1-11; Rom. 12:10; Mt. 12:36.
against us, or merely leaves us alone, then we are in serious trouble.

Rom. 8: 31; Jos. 7: 10-12; I Sam. 4: 3-11; Jud. 16: 20-21.

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n the last part of this series, we saw that Divine presence spells untold blessings. Today, as we continue with our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. THE SINFUL HAS CAUSE TO FEAR

Saul trembled before Goliath because God has forsaken him. If God is on your side, no man can withstand you. The converse is also true.

I Sam. 17: 10-11; Rom. 8:31; Ps. 24:7-10; Deut.28: 2,7; Gen 2:19-20; Gen.3: 9-10; Gen. 3:8; Is. 59:1-2; Gen. 3:7; Gen. 2: 25; Jos. 7:10-12.

2. HOLINESS PRODUCES DIVINE BOLDNESS

While the sinner trembles, the holy stands solid as a
Because he knows that he is surrounded by the Rock of Ages Himself.

Pro. 28: 1; Is. 3: 10; Ps. 91: 7-11; Pro. 18: 10; Ps. 125: 1-3; Heb. 1: 9; Is. 10: 27; Jud. 15: 11-14; Jud. 16: 18-21.

INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series we saw that age has nothing to do with Divine call. Also that while we all start off as infants. Some end up as Kings. Others as servants. As We continue with our study today, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen

1. TO REACH YOUR GOAL; JUST PRESS ON

For anyone who wants to reach his goal, it is imperative that you refuse to be bogged down by oppositions. You keep your eyes fixed on Jesus and press on.

I Sam. 17; 16, 22-30; Ps. 30:5; Is. 3: 10; Dan. 6:16-26; I Sam. 17; 28; Songs. 8; 6; Mt. 10; 36; 1 Cor. 36; 1. Sam.
2. **THERE ARE REWARDS FOR VICTOR**

Anyone that overcomes shall be richly rewarded. Not only will he be free from the second death but he will even share the throne of the Almighty.

*Gen. 17: 1-16; Rom. 2:28-29; Gal. 3: 13-14; Num. 23; 19 Rev. 2:17; Rev. 2; 11; Rev. 2; 17; Rev. 2: 26; Rev. 3:5; Rev. 3: 12; Rev. 3:21; Rev. 19:5-9.*

**INTRODUCTION**

In the last part of this series we saw that if you wish to reach your goal just press on. Also there are rewards for overcomers. As we continue our study today, may the Lord bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. **IT TAKES DILIGENCE TO MAKE IT TO THE TOP**

To stand before Kings and not among mean men, you must be diligent. To be wealthy, you need diligence to get to the top and stay there. You need diligence to get to heaven.
2. **OUR GOD CAN REPEAT MIRACLE**

The God who defeated a Lion and a bear can also defeat a Goliath. If He has ever given you victory before, He will do it again.


**INTRODUCTION**

In the last part of this series, we discovered that the song of the backslider is always full of words like, I cannot, impossible, hopeless, etc. Whereas the song of the steadfast is always full of words like, I can, possible, hopeful etc. Today, as we continue with our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.
1. OUR WEAPONS ARE NOT CARNAŁ
Saul's Armour is useless to David just as human weapons are useless in spiritual warfare. To be constantly victorious, all you need is Jesus! He is the whole Armour of God.

I Sam.17:38-40; 2 Cor. 10:4; Ps. 20:7-8; Jer. 17:5 8; Heb. 12:2; Eph. 6:10-18; Ph.4:13.

2. FIVE SMOOTH STONES
Those who would be God's battle-axes must not only be stones but smooth stones. Those who would operate under His anointing must be holy and thoroughly pure.

Lev.10: 8-10; Dan. 1: 8-16; Gen.39: 7-9; Dan.3: 26-27; Dan.6:20-23; I Cor. 9:25-27; Col. 3: 5-6; Heb. 1:9; Jer. 15: 19-21; Is. 1: 24-26; Zec. 13: 8-9; Mal. 3:3.

INTRODUCTION
In the last part of this series, we learnt that we must not underestimate our enemies; we also learnt about who actually is a dog. Today, may God bless us richly as we continue in Jesus name. Amen.

1. THE CURSE CAUSELESS SHALL NOT COME
Goliath cursed David but his curse was of no effect. Curses do not operate without a cause and cursing someone that God had blessed is a wasted effort.


2. BLESSINGS BASELESS SHALL NOT BE
Just as the curse causeless shall not come, so also blessings baseless shall not be, that is if you want God's blessings, you must provide the basis for it. Please Him and He will bless you.
INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we learnt that our weapons are not carnal and that those who would be God's battle-axes must be smooth stones. Today, as we continue with our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. DO NOT UNDERESTIMATE YOUR ENEMY

One of the mistakes of Goliath, a seasoned warrior, was that he disdained, or belittled, David. A vital lesson for us spiritual warriors is never to underestimate our enemy. A small snake can have a potent poison.

I Sam. 17: 41-43; Mt. 26: 41; I Pet. 5:8, Jos. 7: 2-6; Jud. 16: 6-2 Songs. 2: 15; Pro. 6: 10-11; I Thes. 5:16-17.

2. WHO IS A DOG?

Goliath asked David a very serious question; 'Am I a
dog? Every Christian ought to know who is a dog from biblical point of view!

Rev. 22: 15; Pro. 26: 11; 2 Pet. 2: 20-22; Mt. 15: 22-27; Ps. 22 v 6; Mt. 7: 6; Deut. 28: 18; 2 Kings 8: 12-13; Ph. 3: 2

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In the last part of this series, we learnt that first, as the curse causeless shall not come, so also the blessing baseless shall not be. Today as we continue with our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. OVERCONFIDENCE AND PRIDE ARE TWO DANGEROUS RELATIVES
Goliath thought he could easily destroy David. He did not even think that David could beat him. Beware of overconfidence and pride. They are dangerous!

I Sam. 17:44-47; I Cor. 10:12; I Pet. 1:5; Lk. 22:31-34; Jud. 16:6-12; Jos. 7:2-5; Jam. 4:13-15; Pro. 6:16-19; Jam. 4:6.

2. **LET GOD FIGHT YOUR BATTLES**

David's speech made it clear that he was not the one going to fight Goliath. That was why he was sure of victory. Let God fight your battles too.

Exo. 14:13-38; Jos. 6:1-21; Jos. 10:8-11; Num. 16:23-33; 2 Chr. 20:20-25; Deut. 32:40; I Kings 8:27; Ecc. 5:8; Rom. 8:31; Ps. 68:1-3.
INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we learnt that overconfidence and pride are two dangerous relatives and we should let God fight our battles for us. Today, as we continue our study may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen

1. GOD WILL PLAY HIS PART PROVIDED YOU PLAY YOURS

As long as your enemy remains inactive, then you can rest. But as soon as he moves, you must act and fast. One thing is sure, if you move, God will move with you.

I Sam. 11:47: 48, Ps. 23:5, I Pet. 5: 8-9, M k.16:15-20. Ps, 121:1-5, Ps. 68:11-3 Rom, 8:31, Jam. 4:7, I Sam. 17:37, Jud. 14:5-6, Jos. 10:6-10, I Thes. 5:18, L k. 8:38, Il Cor 11:27, Ps. 81:1-3.

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As the showdown between David and Goliath reaches its
climax, we discover that there are several beautiful truths for us to learn. May the Holy Spirit Himself teach us today in Jesus name?

EVERY GIANT HAS A WEAK SPOT: EVERY PROBLEM HAS A SOLUTION

In spite of his size and Armour, Goliath left one weak spot exposed. That led to his defeat and David's victory. Every problem, no matter the size, has a solution in Christ Jesus. In fact the weapon for total victory is in-built to the problem itself. May our victory be total today in Jesus name, A men.

1 Sam. 17: 48-52; Jn. 14: 6; Isa. 53: 5; Jn. 1: 7; Neh. 8: 10; Ph. 4: 4; Rom. 8: 28; Gal. 2: 20; 2 Chr. 5: 17; Exo. 36: 24-26; Dan. 6: 2; 2 Chr. 20: 20-25; Ps. 47:1.

INTRODUCTION
In the last part of this series, we saw that it is not enough to knock out our enemy, the old man, but you must thoroughly crucify it. We also learnt that the solutions to our problem are built into the problem. As we continue our studies today, may the Lord bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen

1. David and Jonathan Made a Covenant; You Can Make a Covenant with God,

A covenant is a very powerful agreement between two parties. It is usually sealed with blood. In the old covenant between God and Abraham, It was man who
supplied the blood for the covenant. In the new covenant between God and man, It is God who supplied the blood for the covenant. You can be included in that covenant if you are willing to pay the price.


INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we learnt about covenants in general and the one between David and Jonathan in particular. As we continue our study tonight, may the Almighty bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. WHAT JONATHAN GAVE DAVID IS SIGNIFICANT

Jonathan gave David his robe, garment, sword, bow
and girdle. Each item is significant particularly as it relates to what Christ gave to his church.

I Sam. 18: 4; Isa, 61; 10; Ps. 132; 16; Isa.61; 3; Eph. 6; 10-1
Heb. 4; 12; Isa. 54; 17; Zech. 25

2. WHAT JONATHAN DID NOT GIVE TO DAVID IS EVEN MORE SIGNIFICANT
There is one item that Jonathan failed to give to David as a result, his ultimate became suspect. Thank God that Jesus Christ our Lord gave all to His church.

Ruth 4; 7; Lk.15; 19 -22; Jn.8; 35; I Sam. 20; 41-42; Jn. 12, I Jn 3;1; Rom. 8:15-17; Jn.13: 1, John 15:15; John 14: 1-3, Rev. 3; 12; Rom. 8: 37.
INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we discussed the importance of what Jonathan did not give to David and saw that in loving us, Jesus loved us all the way. As we continue our study today, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

PROMOTION COMES FROM GOD TO THE FAITHFUL

David's promotion was rapid because God was on his side. However, David also exhibited some wonderful traits that should be a lesson to all who want to be promoted.

1 Sam. 18: 5-9; Is. 1: 19; 1 Sam. 15: 22-23.

INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we saw some of the qualities that led to the rapid promotion of David. We also saw the need to watch and pray. As we continue our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.
1. **THE 3 SOURCES OF PROPHECIES**

Prophecy can come from one of 3 sources; the Holy Spirit, the human Spirit and evil Spirits. But only the one from the Holy Spirit is genuine prophecy.

I Sam. 18:10, 1 Cor. 12:8-10, Acts 2:16-17, Eph. 4:11;
I Thes. 5-23, Jer. 23:26, Jer. 14:15, 1 Kings 22: 1-23, Acts 16:16, John. 4: 1

2. **DARKNESS ALWAYS WANT TO DESTROY LIGHT**

It is the desire of darkness to destroy light But God is more than sufficient to deliver

I Pet. 5:8; Jn. 8:44, Jn. 10:10; Pro. 21:31, 1 Cor. 1:9-10, Is. 54:17, Ps. 91: 1-8.

**INTRODUCTION**

In the last part of this series, we learnt that prophecies can come from 3 sources. Also that darkness always wants to destroy light. As we continue our study today, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.
BACKSLIDING IS FEAR
Since the backslider refuses to fear God. He is
tormented by all kinds of fears. He fears men and
demon; and he even fear where there is nothing to
fear.

I Sam. 18:12-16; John 4:18; Gen. 3:8-10; Ps. 53:4-5; Ps.
19:9; Ps. 27:1-3; Ps. 56:4; Pro. 14:26-27; Rom. 8:15; 2
Timothy 1:7; Ecc. 12:13-14.

2. HOW DO I ACT WISELY
It is clear that he who acts wisely will find good and be
delivered from his enemies. But how do I act wisely?

Pro. 16:20; Pro. 28:26; Pro. 4:7; Ps. 111:10; 1 Cor. 1
: 2 4 ;
Jam. 1:22-25.

INTRODUCTION
In the last past of this series, we saw that one of the
punishments for backsliding is fear. We also learnt how
to behave wisely, As we continue our study today may
the Lord bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.
1. **Beware of the Snare of the Fowler**
   The devil and his children, never tell the truth. "Whatever they offer you is merely a bait into a trap. Therefore beware!

   II Sam. 18:17-27, Jn. 8:4; Gen. 3:1-10; Mt. 4:5-7; Mt. 4:8-10; Jud. 16:4-5; Pro. 31:30; Gen. 29:21-26; John 4:1

2. **Our God Is More Than Sufficient**
   Saul asked David for one hundred Philistines, David gave him two hundred instead. We see here again that our God is more than a match for the enemy.

   Ps. 91:3; 1 John 4:4; Exo. 1:27-30; Dan. 3:26-30; Dan. 6:2-28, Est. 7:8-10; Ps. 103, 8-12; 2 Cor. 12:9.

INTRODUCTION
In the last part of this series, we saw that it is needful to beware of the snare of the fowler. And also that our God is more than sufficient for our deliverance. As we continue our study tonight, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. WE HAVE A GREATER FRIEND THAN JONATHAN
Jonathan pleaded the cause of David with his father and won David a temporary respite. Our friend, the Lord Jesus Christ, pleaded our cause with his father and won us a permanent respite.


2. UNTIL YOU LET YOUR FLESH DIE, YOU ARE
A SPLIT PERSONALITY

There is a reasonable part of Saul but there is also a very evil part. Similarly, until you let your flesh die, you will be split between the spirit wanting to do good and the flesh bent on doing evil.


INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we saw that we have better friend than Jonathan. Also, we saw that we have to crucify the flesh or else we will remain a split personality. As we continue our study today, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.
1. WITHOUT THE HEAD THE BODY CANNOT SURVIVE
A wife is meant to be help-meet for her husband. Here we see from Michal's action that the duties of a wife include protecting the husband's life. This makes sense because if the head dies so will the body.

1 Sam. 19:8:17, Gen. 12:10-20, 1 Sam. 25: 2-34, M t. 19: 5-6, Eph. 5:23, 30, 1 Cor. 6:15-20, D eut. 6:5 L k. 14:26, A cts. 21:1-13, J n. 15: 5, A cts. 17:27-28, Ph. 4:19.

2. CHOICES
Life is constantly a matter of choices. Living or dying, heaven or hell, it is all a matter of choices.

D eut. 30:19-20, H eb. 11:24-26, E st. 4:16, D an. 3:14-18, D an. 6:6-10, E xo. 32:26, M t. 26:39.

INTRODUCTION
In the last part of the series we learnt that there is a time to run. Discuss that in such a time, we must make sure we flee to our source, the Almighty. Today as we continue
our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen

1. WHEN YOU HIDE IN THE ROCK OF AGES YOUR SECURITY IS ASSURED

Every effort made by Saul, to get David from the strong hold of Samuel fails, Infact the last effort led to the disgrace of Saul himself. God has several ways of dealing with the enemies of those who trust in Him. When you make the Rock of Ages your Refuge, your security is assured.

I Sam.19; 19-24; Zech. 2; 5; Exo. 14; 19-20; Isa. 54; 17; Dan. 3:26-27; Dan. 5:21-22; Ps. 23:5; I Sam. 17:48-49; Exo. 14:23; II Kings 6:14-20; I Sam. 19:19 -23; Exo. 14:27-28; Dan. 6:24; Num. 16:31-33; II Kings 1: 9-12; A cts. 5; 1-11; A ct. 13; 6-12; A cts. 16; 35 -39; I Sam. 19; 24; A ct. 9: 1-9; A ct. 16:25:9-34; Ps. 91: 1-10.
INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we learnt that when you hide in the Rock of Ages, your security is assured. Today, as we continue with our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. AVOID ANGER AT ALL COST
There are two kinds of anger; carnal anger and righteous indignation. Since it is not always easy to distinguish between the two, it is best to avoid anger at all cost.

I Sam. 20:27-34, Eccl. 7:9, Pro. 22:24-25, Ps. 7:11, Mk. 3:1-6, Mt. 21:12-13, Eph. 4:26-31, II Kings.3:13 -15, Num. 20:2-12, Jam. 1:10-20.
2. GOD WILL NOT ACCEPT HALF MEASURES
God prefer those who go all the way; either for or against, cold or hot. He hates lukewarmness He will not accept half measures.


INTRODUCTION
In the last part of this series, we learnt that we must avoid anger at all cost and that God will not accept half-measures. Today as we continue our study, may God enrich us spiritually in Jesus name? Amen.

1. THE KING'S BUSINESS
God is the King of Kings. His business cannot be done anyhow. It has to be done in an acceptable manner.

I Sam. 21:1-9; Jam. 1:22; Mt. 25:21; 2 Tim. 2:5; Jn. 9:4;
Ecc. 9:10; 2 Cor. 9: 7; Jn. 16:10.

2. WHO CAN DINE WITH GOD
God is a consuming fire. Those who will eat at his table must satisfy certain conditions.

Heb. 12:29; Ps. 24:3-5; Hab. 1:13; Mt. 5:8; Mt. 10:26; I Jn. 2:15-17; Jn. 4: 32-34; Jn. 14: 6; 2 Sam. 9:1-8; Eph. 2:8; Rom. 5: 20; 2 Cor. 12: 9.

INTRODUCTION
In the last part of this series, we learnt about the King's business and who can dine with God. Today as we continue may God enrich us in Jesus name. Amen.

1. GOD CAN CHANGE DEATH TO LIFE, ENEMIES TO SERVANTS
The sword of Goliath was to bring death to David but it brought him life. And now the Weapon of the enemy is to serve David.
I Sam. 21:8-9; Gal. 2:20; Gal. 6:14; Ph. 3: 7-10; Acts.16: 27-34; Acts 16: 6-10; Acts 16:16-18; Jam.4: 7; Acts 21 :10-14; I Thess. 5:18; Mk.16: 15.

2. GOD CAN REPEAT MIRACLES
The sword of Goliath had completed a miracle in the life of David before. Now it is about to serve him again. Our God can repeat miracles.

Exo. 14: 15-16; Exo. 17:5-6; 2 Kings 2:8; 2 Kings 2:13-1
Jud. 15:14-15; Jud. 15: 18-19; 2 Kings 2:14; Jos. 1: 1-5;
Jud.15: 14,17.

INTRODUCTION
In the last part of this series, we learnt about the mighty ones of God and His training grounds. Today, as we continue our study, may God satisfy your thirst in Jesus
name? Amen.

1. **THE DISTRESSED**
   Among those who gathered themselves together to David are the distressed, the debtors and the discontented. As it was with David so was it with his greater Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

   Mk. 5: 21-24; 35-43; M k. 5: 25-34; Lk. 7:11-17; M t. 8:1-3; M t. 15: 21-28; M k. 5:1-16; M k. 10: 46-52.

2. **THE DEBTORS** - Jn. 8:3-11; Lk.7: 36-47; Lk.19: 1-10.

3. **THE DISCONTENTED** - 2 Kings 2:9-12; M t.5:6; Ph. 3:7-10; A cts 19:11-12; l C or. 14: 18.

**INTRODUCTION**

In our last Study, we saw the duties and benefits of a captain. As we continue in the study today may the Lord bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.
1. **FOUR HUNDRED MEN**

David became captain over about four hundred men. They were devoted to him all the days of his life. Among these men, Thirty-Seven men were able to excel. God will always have soldiers among soldiers.

I Sam 25: 16-13; I Sam. 30:1-18; Gen. 14:14-16; Judges 7:1-7, I Sam. 14:6; I Sam 23:39; II Sam. 23:8-16; I Cor 15:3-6; Mt. 17:1-2; Mk. 5:37-42; Mk. 14:32-34; John 13:21-26; Dan. 3:13-18; Dan . 6:1-3; Rev. 11:5.

**INTRODUCTION**

In the last part of this series, we learnt that God always has an army within an army and that some always excel. May we excel as we continue our study today in Jesus name. Amen.

1. **IT PAYS TO CARE FOR OUR PARENTS**

David took care of his parents even while he was in trouble. It is not only God's law that we should care for our parents, it is Christ like too. And it pays to do so.

Exo. 20:12, Deut. 5:16; Jn. 19:26-27; Gen. 27:33; Gen
22:15-18; Gen. 6:7-8; Gen. 7:13-16; 1 Kings 11:11-13; Rom. 15:1; 1 Sam. 2:30-34; 1 Sam. 31:6; Ps. 37:25, Gal. 6:7-82.

2. WHAT IS TRUE FOR BIOLOGICAL PARENTS IS TRUE FOR SPIRITUAL PARENTS TOO.
Take care of your spiritual parents and be blessed. The converse is also true.

Gen. 37:3-4; 1 Sam. 16: 10-11, II Kings 3:11-12; II Kings 2: 9-15; Deut. 34: 9, Ps. 105.1 :1-5; II Kings 5: 20-26.

INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we learnt that it pays to take care of our parents, both biological and spiritual. Today, as we continue our study, may God give us grace to be doers of the Word and not hearers only in Jesus name. Amen.

1. GOD HAS SOMETHING BETTER IN STORE FOR YOU
The Prophet Gad told David to get out of the cave of Adullam and move on. Even though the cave was comparatively safe, yet it is not the ultimate goal of God for David. It is not the throne of Israel. God has something better in store for you too: but you must move on to get it.

Mt. 25:24-29; 2 Tim. 1:6-7; M k. 16:20; L k. 10:1-17; Deut. 32:1-7; M k. 5:1-16; 2 Kings 7:3; Gen. 39, Gen. 41; M t. 14:22-23; I K ings 18:1-39; G en. 13:14-17; M t. 2:1-10; G en. 24:34-35; G en. 26:12-14; G en. 30:40-43; Is. 43:18-19; E p. 3:20; 2 C or. 3:18.

INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we learnt that God has something greater in store for us than we have at present. And that we need to go out, go forward and get it. As we continue our study today, may God bless us richly in Jesus
1. JESUS IS ENOUGH
   Like king Saul, Satan constantly tries to entice Christians with world goods and temporal successes so as to get them to deny the faith. But well grounded Christians know that Jesus alone is sufficient.


INTRODUCTION
   In the last part of this series, we learnt that any well-grounded Christian knows that Jesus alone is sufficient. Today as we continue our study, May the Lord bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. THERE IS TIME TO SAY "NO"
When Saul asked his soldiers to kill the priests of God, they refused because they know that God is superior to any King.

I Sam 22:22-29; Dan.1:3-8; Dan. 3:14-18; Dan. 6:6-10; Exo. 1:15-21; Pro. 1:10; I Cor. 9:27; Jn. 2:15-17, Ps. 105; 14-15; I Sam. 24:1-7; Rev. 1 : 10-16; 20; II Kings 6:15-17.

2. WHAT WILL YOU BE REMEMBERED FOR?
Doeg is remembered today as the man who killed God's priests. What will you be remembered by?


INTRODUCTION

The last part of this topic, we saw that it is good to dwell with those who have friend and enemy like us, today as we continue in our study we pray that God Himself will bless us mightily in Jesus name. (Amen).

1. DON'T FIGHT THE BATTLE THAT YOU
WILL NOT CONQUER
Before you go to any war, make sure you must conquer for example; it is a dangerous thing to fight God or His ambassador.


2. WITH GOD'S PEACE MAKER YOU WILL ALWAYS CONQUER
Before you go to the battle, ask from your defender the man of war, after this follow all His authority, and you will always conquer.

INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we learnt that we must never fight a war we cannot win and that with God as our Ally, we will always be victorious. As we continue our study today, may God give us more victories in Jesus name.

1. DON'T BE A DEVIL'S INFORMANT: USE YOUR TONGUE ARIGHT
The enemy has its informants: but you don't have to be one of them. You have better things to do with your tongue. Use your tongue aright.

Ps. 34:1; Jn. 1: 40-42; Jn.1: 43-46; Jn. 4: 28-30; 39 Mk.
5:1-20; Isa. 52: 7

2. TRUST YOUR SAFETY TO NO ONE EXCEPT GOD
Safety is really of the Lord not walls and gates. And God won't let you down if you trust in Him. Only be vigilant.

Pro. 21:31; Ps. 20:6-8; Ps. 127: 1; Ps. 124:3; Isa. 26:4; I Pet. 5:8; Mt. 26: 41; Eph. 6:13.

INTRODUCTION
In the last part of this series, we learnt that we must use our tongues aright rather than being a devil's informant. We also learnt never to trust our safety to anyone except the Lord. May God prosper us mightily as we continue our study in Jesus' name. Amen.

1. WHAT YOU WILL BECOME; GOD SAYS
Once God speaks, it is done. When He decrees that
someone will become something; that settles it.

Ps. 33: 6-9; Ps. 119: 89; Isa. 55:11, Jn. 6: 63 Heb. 4:11-12; Deut. 28: 13; Rev. 1: 5-6.

2 WHETHER THE ENEMY LIKES IT OR NOT
The enemy may know what God's plans for your life are. He may therefore try to thwart them. But he shall fall.

Pro. 19: 21, Gen. 36:3-8; Gen. 50: 17-20; Ps. 27: 3; Isa. 4 1 : 10-13; Zec. 4: 6-7; M k.11: 23; Rom. 8:31.

INTRODUCTION
In the last part of this series, we learnt that you would become whatever God says whether the enemy likes it or not. Today as we continue our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. THERE IS A LOVE THAT IS TOTALLY SELFLESS
As in the case of Jonathan's love for David, almost all-human love has a motive. But there is a love that is
purely selfless; it is DIVINE!

Gen. 12:11-16; Lk. 15:25-30; 2 Sam. 12:15-23; Jn. 15:13; Jn. 13:1; Isa. 43: 2; Rom. 8: 37; Lk. 15:21-22.

2. THIS LOVE WONT LEAVE YOU ALONE IN THE JUNGLE.
Jonathan returned to the palace and left David in the jungle. Divine love won't do that to you. Infact, it will do anything and everything for you.

Mk. 10:30; 2 Kings 6:15-17; Est. 5: 1-3; Est. 7: 16; Pro. 11: 20; Exo. 12: 29-33; Exo. 14:13-28; Heb. 12:5-9.

INTRODUCTION
In the last part of this series, we learnt that God knows how to handle our enemies. Today, as we continue our study. May the LORD bless us richly in Jesus name, Amen.

1. THE JUDGEMENT OF THE ANOINTED IS IN THE HANDS OF THE ANOINTER
God has not left the judgement of his anointed in the hands of anyone except Himself or the vessel he used to anoint the anointed. The judgement of the anointed is only in the hands of the anointer.

Ps.105: 14-15; Jude 9; Eze. 28: 14; Rev. 1:16,20; II Kings 5: 25-27; I Sam. 5: 26-29.

2. THE ADVANTAGES OF THE ANOINTING FOR ANOINTED

The anointing confers many privileges on the anointed. Some of which are the breaking of yokes in his life, removing obstructions to his destiny and supernatural body-guards.


INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we learnt that the judgement of the anointed is in the hands of the Anointer and that there are several advantages of anointing for the
anointed. As we continue our study today, may the LORD bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. **WHEN YOU HAND OVER YOUR ENEMY TO GOD, YOU PUT HIM IN SERIOUS TROUBLE.** God is normally angry at the wicked daily. Infact when you feed your enemy, you put him in trouble how much more when you now hand him over to God for judgement!

   2 Tim. 4:8; Gen. 18:25; Pro. 20: 22; Rom. 12:19-21; 2 Thes. 1: 6-8; Heb.12: 29; Heb. 10: 31; Ps. 7:11; Pro. 25: 21-22.

2. **IT IS HARD TO BE MEEK, BUT IT PAYS**
   It is difficult to be meek, to refrain from avenging yourself. But it pays, in blessings, in avoiding God's anger and in hearing Him clearly.

   I Pet. 3: 1-4; Mt. 5: 5; Zep. 2: 3; Mt. 11: 28-29; Num. 12: 3-8; Exo. 2:11-12; Exo. 3: 1.

2. **SAMUEL DIED BUT GOD LIVES**
Whenever a great man dies, there is mourning because they leave behind a vacuum difficult to fill. However, God lives forever.

Deut. 34:5-8; Deut. 34:10; Ps. 23:1; Deut. 32:40; Heb. 13:8; Ps. 18:1-2.

3. LET GO OF YESTERDAY: TOMORROW WILL BE O.K.
After the burial of Samuel, David went on his way. A chapter had closed in his life, another begins. Let go of yesterday, after all, tomorrow will be O.K.

Ecc. 1:4; Heb. 13:8; Ps. 119:89; 1 Sam. 16:1; Lk. 15:11-24; Ph. 3:13-14; 2 Sam. 12:15-24; Isa. 3:10.

INTRODUCTION
n the last part of this series, we learnt that God lives and that we should let go of yesterday. As we continue our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. **PARENTS TRAIN YOUR CHILDREN IN THE FEAR OF THE LORD**
   
   How could an evil man come from the house of Caleb? Maybe, unlike Joshua, Caleb did not commit himself to the training of his house in the fear of the LORD.


2. **CHILDREN SUBMIT TO YOUR PARENTS**

   It is one thing to be corrected; it is another to submit to correction. If you want to be greater than your parents, you must submit to them.

INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we learnt that both parents and children have parts to play, if the good name of the family is to be preserved. As we continue our study today, may God bless us richly in Jesus name Amen.

1. IT IS DANGEROUS TO PROSPER THROUGH WICKED MEANS

Some people prosper through wicked means. Do not envy them. Some prosper through serving God and then forsake God. Do not copy them. Some prosper and remain faithful to God. Emulate them.

Ps. 37: 1-7; Ecc. 24: 19-20; Ps. 73: 12-13; 16-19; Ecc. 5: 1-3; Pro. 22: 16; Ecc. 6: 1-2; Hos. 13: 1; Hos. 5: 9; Gen. 24: 35; Job. l: 1-3; 2 Kings 4:8-10; Dan. l: 1-3; 22; Pro.10: 22; Ecc. 5: 19.

2. THERE IS A GREATNESS SUPERIOR TO WEALTH.
Wealth is not everything. There are certain things superior to wealth.

Pro. 22:1; Pro. 4:7; Pro. 3:13; Pro. 8:11; Pro. 1:32-33; Acts 3:1-8; Ph. 3:7-11; Acts 19:11-12.

INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we learnt that it is dangerous to prosper through wicked means and that there is greatness superior to wealth. As we continue our study today, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. FLESHLY BEAUTY IS OF LITTLE VALUE

The Bible says that beauty without discretion is like decorating a pig with gold! Worst still is the fact that not only is beauty transient; the flesh is actually an enemy of the Spirit.

Pro.11:22; Isa.40:6-8; Gen. 3:17-19; Pro.31:30; Rom.7:21-24; Rom.8:5-8; I Cor. 9:27; I Cor. 6:19-20; Ecc. 12:1-7; Job 19:25-27; Ps. 149:4.
2. THE CONTENT IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE CONTAINER

Of what use is a beautiful container if the content is poison? But then how wonderful if the container is not so beautiful but the content is wonderful and precious.


INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we were studying the confrontation between Nabal and David. Today, as we continue this aspect of our study, may the LORD bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. DO NOT DESPISE ANYONE: ONLY GOD KNOWS TOMORROW

Do not despise anyone, no matter how little. Only God knows tomorrow. Most especially, do not despise yourself: God has not finished with you yet.

I Sam. 25: 4-10; Mt. 18: 10; Rev. 1: 8; I Cor. 1: 26-29; Zec. 4: 9-10; Job 8: 7; Ps. 75: 6-7; I Sam. 2: 7-8.
2. WHO ARE YOU, ANYWAY?
If anyone asks you today: "Who are you? Who is your father?". How will you answer? Do you really know who you are?

Jn. 1: 11-12; Ps. 91: 1; Ecc. 5: 8; Gen. 17: 1, Lk. 1: 37; 2 Cor. 5:17; Rom. 8: 16-17; Rom. 8: 37; Rev. 1: 4-6; I Pet. 2: 9.

INTRODUCTION
In the last part of this series, we learnt that it is dangerous to despise anyone and that if anyone asks you about your identity, you can boldly say, "I am a child of the Most High". Today as we continue our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus Name, Amen.

1. THE VOICE OF PRIDE AND ITS IMPLICATIONS
The commonest words in the language of the proud are "I, my, mine". Whereas only God is the true I AM. Consequently, the proud unwittingly equates himself to God, forgetting that all he has is from God.

I Sam. 25: 10-11; Isa. 14: 12-14; Dan. 4: 28-32; Exo. 3: 13-
1. A VAGABOND CAN BECOME A DISCIPLINED SOLDIER IF HE IS WILLING TO PAY THE PRICE

David's army consisted of 400 former vagabonds. But
within a short period of time, they had become a highly disciplined army. It does not matter what we used to be, we too can become highly effective soldiers of the cross.

1 Sam. 25:10-13, 1 Sam. 22:1-2; Eph. 2: 1-7; Lk. 16: 13; Mt. 12: 30; Jos. 24.15, 1 Sam. 7:3, Mt. 4:10, Deut. 10:12, Deut. 6.5, Rev. 3.15, Ps. 11.9.2, Jere. 29: 13; Deut. 30 : 19.
Ex. 19:5.

INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we learnt that a vagabond can become a disciplined soldier if he is willing to pay the price. Today, as we continue our studies, may the LORD bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. HE WHO KNOWS HOW TO COUNT HIS
BLESSINGS WILL KNOW HOW TO GIVE THANKS

- Nabal was called a son of belial because he had three major faults: pride, ingratitude and unwillingness to listen to advice. We had considered pride in a previous study. Today, we want to look at the issue of ingratitude. Actually, we wish to consider just 21 reasons why we should constantly praise God.

Ps. 100:1-5; Is. 55:8-9; Rom. 9:15; 1 In. 1:1-3; 1 In. 9:1-7; 1 43:1-2; Ps. 23:1-6; Jam. 1:13; Jer. 29:11; Jam. 1:17; La 3:22-23; Heb. 13:8; Ps. 103:1-5; Is. 59:1-2; Heb. 12:14; Pet. 2:24; Lk. 16:19-24; Rom. 8:37; Ps. 18:35; Ps. 34:8; P 68:19; Gen. 17:1; Ps. 23:5; Neh. 8:10; Is. 40:28-31; I Pe
INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we saw that three things that marked Nabal out as a son of Belial: pride, ingratitude and unwillingness to listen to advice. Today, we shall discuss the last of these characteristics of a son of Belial. May God bless us richly as we study in Jesus Name, amen.

1. IF YOU ARE WILLING, GOD WILL ADVISE YOU ALL THE WAY

It is dangerous to live without constant words of advise. In fact it is foolish to do so. Of course, the most reliable of counselors is the LORD of hosts Himself and He is willing to guide you forever.

Pro. 11: 14; Pro.12: 15; Pro.13: 10; Pro.15: 22; Isa.28: 29; Jer.32: 18-19; Ps.48:14; Ps.73: 24; Is.30: 21; In.16: 13; Ps25: 9.
2. JUST A WORD OF ADVICE

God's advice may run counter to what common sense will tell you. In fact, some of His pieces of advice are really hard. But then, He is the Original Counselor. Lk. 6: 38; Pro. 2: 24-25; Ecc. 2: 1-6; Exo. 15: 26; Ps. 3: 10; Pro. 2:30; Mt. II: 12; Jam. 4: 7; I Pet. 5: 8-9; Mt. 5: 29-30; Lk. 9: 59-62; 2 Tim. 2: 22; I Cor. 6: 18; I Tim. 6: 6-11; Zec. 4: 6; Is. 9: 6.

INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we learnt that if you are willing, God will advise you all the way. Today as we continue our study, may we greatly be blessed in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. A VIRTUOUS WOMAN IS A CROWN TO HER HUSBAND

Abigail was a wonderful wife. She had many adorable qualities. She was wise, quick-witted and discreet. Surely, a virtuous woman is a crown to her husband.
2. THERE IS HELP FOR YOU TOO

Wonderful as Abigail was, she could not have helped her husband and family if she had known about the danger they faced. There is someone who knows all things and can help you too.

Job. 42: 1-2; Dan. 2: 20; Ps. 18: 10; Mt. 20: 28; I Tim. 2: 6; Ps. 28: 7; Ps. 40: 17; Deut. 33: 27; Heb. 13: 6; Jn. 14: 26.

INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we learnt that every member of our household could be saved if we are willing to pay the price. As we continue with our study today, may the Almighty bless you richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

2. NO ACCIDENTAL MEETINGS

David realized that Abigail’s coming to meet him on the way was no accident. He realized that it was God...
that planned it and he gave glory to Him. We too must realize that there is nothing like an accidental meeting and should pay more attention to those we too meet accidentally.

1 Sam. 25:32-35; Exo. 2:5-10; 1 Sam. 9:1-17; 1 Sam. 17:22-23; 1 Kings 17:8-16; 1 Kings 19:15-21; 2 Kings 4:8-17; Lk. 5:1-11.

2. GOD IS WORKING HIS PURPOSE OUT IN YOUR LIFE

Silently, relentlessly but surely, God is working His purpose out in your life. However, He uses human vessels at times. Sometimes, He uses them to open doors and at other times to close them.

Is. 46:10; Pro. 19:21; Is. 43:13; Gen. 50:18-20; Exo. 2:7-8; 11 Sam 17:17-18; Acts 9:10-17; Rev. 3:7.
INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we learnt that there are no accidental meetings and that God is working His purpose out in your life. As we continue our study today, may God bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. IT IS DANGEROUS TO BE DRUNK WITH WINE

It is so dangerous to be drunk with wine that only the hopeless are allowed by God to be drunk. Now since those who drink a little once in a while can be drunk on special occasion, it is best to abstain from drinking completely.

Pro. 31: 4-5; Lev. 10: 8-11; Rev. 1:5-6; Pro. 23: 33 Ep. 5: 3 - 8; Pro. 10:19; Pro. 23:34-35; Pro. 31:6-7 Pro. 23:31-32; Hab. 2: 15; Gen. 9: 20-25; Gen. 19:30-38; I Th. 5:22; Ep. 5: 18,

2. AVOID INSANITY: TEMPORARY OR
To be drunk with wine is to be temporarily insane. Other forms of temporary insanity are anger and an act of adultery or fornication. They all must be avoided like plague.

Pro. 14: 17; Ecc. 7: 9; Pro. 22: 24-25; Pro. 16: 32; Pro. 6: 3-33; Pro. 9: 13-18; Pro. 6: 20-29; I Cor. 3:16-17.

INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we discovered that the drunk and the angry have something in common: both are temporarily mad. Today as we continue with our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus’ Name? A men.

1. THE HEART IS VERY CRUCIAL TO A MAN

The heart of a man reveals who he is. The heart can do a lot of things like thinking, speaking, moving, etc. That is why God is more interested in what goes on in the heart more than on the outside, because the heart really controls the man.
Pro. 27:19; Pro. 23:7; Ps. 27:8; Ps. 16:7; Is. 29:13;
I Kings 2:4; Acts 5:3; I John 3:17; Psalm 95:7-8; I Sam.
16:7; Ps. 7:9; Mt. 15:19-20.

2. **YOU CAN HAVE A NEW HEART**
   The original heart of a man is simply terrible. But God is willing to give you a new heart: pure, God-controlled and determined to praise God.

Jer. 17:9; I Sam. 10:9; Eze. 36:26; Mt. 5:8; Jn. 7:37-39;
Ph. 4:7; Col. 3:15; Ps. 57:7.

**INTRODUCTION**
In the last part of this series, we saw that the heart is very crucial to man and that you can have a new heart. Today as we continue our study, may God bless us abundantly in Jesus' Name. Amen.

1. **FEAR CAN BE DANGEROUS**
   Fear is intended to be a life-preserving instinct. But if it
wrongly applied, it can kill. Nabal was literally paralyzed by fear.

I Sam. 21: 10; I Kings 19:1-3; I Sam. 17; 10-11; Mt. 14: 26; Lk. 21: 26; I John 4: 18; Pro. 29: 25; Heb. 2: 15.

2. THERE IS A GOOD KIND OF FEAR
There is a kind of fear that can preserve both your physical and spiritual life. It is the fear of God.

Ps. 19: 9; Ps. 111: 10; Ps. 34: 9; Acts 9:31; Acts 10:35; Ps. 27: 1; Ps. 23: 4; Mt. 10: 28; 2 Tim. 1: 7; Heb. 10: 31.

INTRODUCTION
In the last part of this series, we saw that though fear can be dangerous, there is a good kind of fear; the fear of God. May God teach us today as we continue with our study in Jesus Name, Amen.

1. IT IS DANGEROUS TO BE SMITTEN BY GOD
The Bible is full of cases of those smitten by God. While not all resulted in death like Nabal's, but some did. For example, when the Rock of Ages struck Goliath on his forehead, he never recovered. It is dangerous to be smitten by God. However, he never smites without a
reason.


INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we saw how dangerous it is to be smitten by God. Today, as we continue our study, may God enrich us wholly in Jesus Name?

Amen.

1. GOD CAN FIGHT FOR SOMEONE

When God decides to fight someone's battle for him, the fight is over quickly and VICTORY IS ASSURED. The person may not even have to lift a finger to win the battle.

2. **G O D C A N B E N E U T R A L**
When God decides to be neutral, the battle is over **q u i c k** and **D E F E A T I S A S S U R E D**.
Jos.6: 20-27; Jos.7: 2-5; Jos.7: 10-12; Jud. 16: 18-21; In.15: 5.

When God fights against someone, the battle is over **q u i c k** and **D I S A S T E R I S A S S U R E D**.
Num.23: 17-25; Num.25: 1-9; Jam.4: 6; Exo. 15: 9-11.

**IN T R O D U C T I O N**

In the last part of this series, we learnt that God can fight for or against someone. He could also remain neutral. Today as we continue our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. **N O A C C I D E N T A L M E E T I N G S**
When Abigail first met David, she did not know that she was meeting her future husband. When Moses first came to the palace, Pharaoh had no clue who he was. Be careful how you treat casual acquaintances.

Ex. 2: 1-10; Ex. 8:1; Ex. 12:30-36; Ex. 14:26-28; Ex.

2. BEWARE WHAT YOU SOW
When Abigail gave food to David, she did not know that she was feeding the one who would feed her for the rest of her life. What you sow today, you will reap tomorrow.

Ps. 126:5-6; Eccl. 11:1; Eccl. 11:6: Eccl. 11:1, Gal. 6:7-10

INTRODUCTION
The Chapter 26 of the first Book of Samuel begins another chapter in the life of David. In it we see another side of a Divine Champion with many lessons to teach us. May we be richly blessed as we study on in Jesus Name? Amen.

1. A MAN'S ENEMIES CAN BE THE
NEIGHBOURS
The Ziphites, David's current neighbours conspired against David without cause and informed King Saul about David's hideout! And soon, the enemy without began to close in, thanks to the enemies within. What can we do to be safe among our neighbours?

Mt. 10: 36; Gen. 4: 1-7; Jud. 16: 4-5; Pro. 27: 10; 2 Kings 4:1-7; Jud. 2: 1-4; Mt. 28: 18-20; Acts 1: 8; 2 Cor. 5: 17; Jhn 3: 8-9; I n. 4: 35; J er. 18-22; Acts 8: 1-4.

2. THERE ARE ENEMIES CLOSER THAN OUR SHADOWS
David sent spies to confirm if Saul had indeed come. But there are enemies whose presence we do not need spies to confirm. How do we deal with them?

Rom. 7: 22-24; Rom. 6: 12-14; I Cor. 9: 27; Co1.3: 5-8; Rom. 8: 12-13; Mt. 5: 8; Mt. 15: 19-20; Rom. 8: 6-8; J er. 17: 9; Eze. 36: 26; Ps. 51: 10.

INTRODUCTION
In the last part of this series, we saw that a man's enemies can be the unconverted neighbours. We also saw that there are enemies closer than our shadows. Today as we
continue our study, may the Lord bless us richly in Jesus.

1. TOUCH NOT MY ANOINTED
   The reason why it is dangerous to harm the anointed of God is because the anointed is a Holy Ghost carrier and surely the Holy Ghost is pure Fire.


2. THERE IS ONLY ONE SECURE SECURITY
   It is foolishness to trust in any other thing or person other than the LORD. He only is the security that cannot and will not fail in the time of need.

   Jer. 17:5-6, Ps. 127:1, Jer. 17:7-8, Ps. 121:1-8, Ps. 91:1-12, Ps. 23:1-2, Ps. 127:2, Ps. 4:8, Ps. 23:5, Zec. 2:5, Pro. 18:10, Ph. 2:10, Rev. 12:11.

INTRODUCTION
In the last part of this series, we discovered that the only secure security is in God and we should not touch His anointed. Today, as we continue with our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus name, Amen.

1. **GOD HAS VARIOUS WAYS OF FIGHTING**
   In our text today, we saw how God dispossessed King Saul of his weapon by simply sending him into a deep sleep. God can drown, roast, paralyze, bomb and humiliate His enemies at will.

   Exo. 14:28; 2 Kings 1:9-12; Dan. 6:24; Num. 16:23-24; Exo. 14:17-18; 1 Sam. 17:45-49; Jos. 10:8-11; 2 Kings 1:13-14; Dan. 4:28-35.

2. **THERE ARE CATEGORIES OF SLEEP**
   There are at least five categories of sleep, beginning from slumber and ending in death.

   Mt. 25:1-5; Rom. 11:8; Ps. 127:2; 1 Sam. 26:12; Ps. 13:3; Jn. 11:11-15.
INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we learnt that God has many ways of fighting His enemies and that there are categories of sleep. As we continue with our studies, may the Lord bless us richly in Jesus Name? Amen.

1. IT IS DANGEROUS TO BE SPIRITUALLY ASLEEP
   It is possible to sleep physically and yet be spiritually awake. It is dangerous to sleep when you should be awake, even in the physical. In the spiritual, it is extremely dangerous to ever be asleep.

   Song.5: 2; Pro.10: 5; I Sam.26: 12; Jud. 16: 19; Mt.25: 7-8; Mt.26: 40-41; Pro.6: 9-11; Pro.23: 21; Jonah 1: 5-10; I Thes. 5: 3-9.

2. ONE GOOD WAY TO WAKE UP A SLEEPER IS BY SHOUTING
   There are two basic ways of waking a sleeper: beating or shouting. The Lord is shouting today, saying loud and clear, "Awake!"

   Acts 12: 5-7; Jud. 16:18-20; Mt. 25: 5-7; Eph. 5: 14; I Cor.15: 34; Rom.13: 11; Mk.13: 35-36.
INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series we learnt that it is dangerous to be spiritually asleep and that one good way to wake up a sleeper is by shouting. Today, as we continue our study, may God keep us revived in Jesus Name, Amen.

1. IT IS DANGEROUS TO FAIL THE MASTER
Abner failed Saul, his master. David said that he deserved to die. David was right. It is a dangerous thing to fail your Master and Lord, Jesus Christ.


2. IT IS HIGHLY REWARDING NOT TO FAIL THE MASTER
There are several people who did not fail the Master. They were richly rewarded. However, consider the story of the ten virgins!
INTRODUCTION

In the last part of this series, we saw David informing the camp of King Saul that he had spared the life of Saul again and accusing the royal guards of dereliction of duty. Today, as we continue our study, May God bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. IF GOD IS ANGRY WITH YOU, REPENT QUICKLY

David said, "If the LORD had stirred thee up against me, let Him accept an offering...." In other words, if it is God that is angry, I will repent and mend my ways before Him soonest. That is a good piece of advice! Because you can never fight against God and win.

Ps. 62: 11; Mt. 28: 18, Ps. 90: 2, Dan. 2: 20-21; Deut. 32: 29-41, Rev. 3: 7, Ps. 139: 7-14; Jonah 1-3; Rom. 9: 15; Jer. 3: 22-23; Mt. 11: 28-30.
2. **IN ANY OTHER SITUATION, BE A SOLDIER**

David went on to say, "... If they be the children of men (that are against me), let them be accursed .... "The Bible is clear as to how to deal with various categories of our enemies. Let us follow Biblical injunctions.

Mt. 5: 23-24; Jn. 13: -35; Heb. 12: 14; Ps. 34: 14; I Cor. 9: 24-27; Co1. 3: 5-6; Is. 54: 17; Jam. 4: 7; I Pet. 5: 8-9; Mk. 16: 17; Ep. 6: 10-18; I Thes. 5: 17.

**INTRODUCTION**

In the last part of this series, we learnt that if God is against us, we must repent quickly. But if anyone else is against us, we must be soldiers of Christ. Today as we continue in our study, may God enrich us greatly in Jesus name, Amen.

1. **EVERYONE IS SEEKING FOR SOMETHING**

David said that the King of Israel is come out to seek
a flea. God is seeking for worshippers, Jesus came to seek and to save the lost and the Holy Spirit is seeking whom to help in prayers. Even the devil is seeking someone too.

Jn. 4: 23; 2 Chr. 16: 9; Lk. 19: 10; Rom. 8: 26; I Pet. 5: 8; I Cor. 1: 22-25; Matt. 7: 7.

2. WHAT ARE YOU SEEKING?
God advises us to seek heavenly things rather than earthly, spiritual things rather than material. What are you seeking?

Matt. 6: 33; Col. 3: 1; Ps. 34: 14; Matt. 5: 6; Ps.27: 8; Isa. 55: 6-7; Pro. 8: 17; Ps. 63: 1-4; Ps. 27: 4; Heb. 2: 6; Ps. 42: 1 - 2; 1 Cor. 12: 31; Phil. 3: 13-14; Hos. 10: 12.

INTRODUCTION
In the last part of this series, we saw that everyone is seeking for something and that it is time to seek the Lord. Today as we continue with our study, may we be richly blessed of the Lord in Jesus name. Amen.
1. **YOU TOO WILL DO GREAT THINGS**

God used King Saul, an enemy of David, to prophesy good things upon David's life. He said that David will do great things. You too will do great things through Jesus Christ.


2. **YOU TOO SHALL PREVAIL**

King Saul also said that David shall prevail. To prevail is to conquer, subdue or bring your enemy under control. You too will prevail by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Rom. 8: 37; 1 John 4: 4; Deut. 28: 13; Rom. 6: 12-14; I Cor. 9: 27; 2 Cor. 10: 4-5; I Cor. 14: 32; Zech. 4: 6-7;
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In the last part of this series, we learnt that we too shall do great things and still prevail in Jesus name, Amen. Today as we continue our study, may God take us to higher grounds in Jesus name, Amen.

1. THE CHASE IS OVER
Saul returned from chasing after David. And he never resumed the chase for one reason or the other. For every true child of God, the chase is over!


2. YOU ARE FREE NOW: ENJOY YOUR FREEDOM
The chase was over but David did not know it. Even though he was free then, he did not begin to enjoy his freedom immediately. You are free now; begin to enjoy your freedom.

Acts 16: 25-28; John 8: 32,36; Rom. 8: 1-2; I Pet. 2: 9; 1 John 4: 4; Acts 1: 8; Rom. 6: 11-14.
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A new chapter opened in the life of David. Knowing well that the promises of King Saul cannot be trusted, he decided to do something drastic. Aware that the enemy within is more dangerous than the enemy without, he fled into the country of the Philistines. As we begin this new chapter in David's life, may God bless us richly in Jesus' name. Amen.

1. **IF YOU CONQUER YOURSELF NOBODY CAN DEFEAT YOU**
   Your greatest enemy is within you, your flesh. If you conquer the flesh and let the Holy Spirit rule unhindered in your life, no outside enemy can overcome you.

   Rom. 7: 24, Rom. 8: 6-7; James 1:13-15; Rom. 6: 12-14; I Cor. 9: 27; Prov. 25:28; Rom. 8: 13; 2 Cor. 4: 7-10.

2. **KEEP YOUR INNER MAN WHOLE AND STRONG**
   One of the greatest prayers of Paul for the saints is that their inner man be strengthened. This is because he knew that if the inner man is defeated, the battle is lost. If you are a true child of God, you can be sure your tomorrow will be O.K.
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In the last part of this series, we saw that the enemy within is more dangerous than the enemy without. Today, as we continue our study of David. May God bless us richly in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

1. CAN LIGHT DWELL WITH DARKNESS?
   David dwelt with Achish at Gath! The prince of God decided to dwell with the prince of the devil! Can the giant-killer dwell with the giant-producer? Can light dwell with darkness?

   2 Cor. 6: 14-16; Lk. 24: 4-5; Amos 3: 3; Mk. 16: 17; Deut. 28: 1; 13; I Sam. 3: 1-4; Exo. 27: 20; Rev. 3: 14-16; Gal. 1: 6-10; Mt. 5: 48; Mt. 5: 6; Eph. 5: 18.

2. TAKE GOD’S ADVICE: BE SEPARATE
   God does not want His children fellowshipping with darkness. He wants you to be separate. Take His advice!

   Eph. 5: 1-11; I Cor. 5-9-11; 2 Cor. 6: 17-18.

INTRODUCTION
In the last part of this series, we saw how dangerous it is for the child of God to settle down in the midst of sinners. Today as we continue our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. **Beware of Flattery**
   
   David flattered Achish and got Ziklag allocated to him as a result, only to use Ziklag as a base to raid towns and villages of the Philistines. Beware of flattery! The flatterer never wishes you well.

   Pro. 29: 5; Pro. 26: 28; Pro. 20: 19; Pro. 2: 10; 11; 16; Ps. 12: 3.

2. **Do Not Accommodate the Enemy**
   
   Achish accommodated David to his ruin. It is dangerous to accommodate your erstwhile enemy. No matter how harmless an enemy may appear, beware of him!

   Gen. 19: 30-38; Num. 20: 7-12; Jud. 16: 4-21; Jn. 12: 1-6; Eph. 4: 27; 2 Tim. 2: 22; Pro. 6: 10-11; Jam. 1: 13-15.

**Introduction**

In the last of this series, we saw how dangerous it is to accommodate your enemy. As we continue our study, May God further enrich us spiritually in Jesus' Name,
Amen.

1. **THE WEALTH OF THE SINNER IS LAID UP FOR THE JUST**

   David invaded the towns of the Philistines and took over their wealth wiping them out in the process. This might be just one example of wealth changing hands from the wicked to the righteous. It had always been so in the plan of God and so shall it always be.

   Pro. 13:22; Ecc. 2: 26; Deut. 6: 10-13; Ps. 24: 1; Hag. 2: 8; Ps. 50: 10; Exo. 3: 21-22; Exo. 12: 35-36; 2 Chr. 20: 20-25; 2 Kings 7: 12-16.

2. **THEY THAT FORSAKE THE LORD PRAISE THE WICKED**

   Just in case you are wondering whether or not David was justified in what he did to the Philistines, just remember that those who justify the wicked and condemn the just are abominations to the LORD. He is a good Friend and a dangerous Enemy.
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In the last part of this series, we saw that the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just and that only they that forsake the Lord praise the wicked. As we continue our study today, may God bless us richly in Jesus name, Amen.

1. WHOSE SERVANT ARE YOU?
Achish thought that David will be his servant forever. But he was terribly wrong. Whose servant are you and whose servant shall you be forever? This is a question you must answer.
Rom. 6: 16; John 8: 44; Isa. 9: 6; John 10: 10; Ps. 29: 11; John 15:10-11; Rom. 6: 17-18.

2. FOREVER IS A VERY LONG TIME
Achish said that David will be his servant forever. Now forever or eternity is a very long time. Where will you spend your eternity?
