

# NOW, FOR THE **REST OF THE STORY!** 2 SAM. 23:1-6

2 Samuel 21-24 is a collection of stories and events that give us a hints / suggestions of the rest of the story

Crisis caused by Saul

Heroes of Israel

David as a Man after God's own heart<sup>1</sup>

David as a Man after God's own heart<sup>2</sup>

Heroes of Israel

Crisis caused by David

**1 Samuel 13:14** But now thy kingdom shall not continue: **the LORD hath sought him a man after his own heart**, and the LORD hath commanded him to be captain over his people, because thou hast not kept that which the LORD commanded thee.

**Acts 13:22** And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also he gave testimony, and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, **a man after mine own heart**, which shall fulfil all my will.

**But where do we find this man in 1 & 2 Samuel?**

## Concepts to remember:

### 1. All history is selective

**John 20:30** And **many other signs** truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are **not** written in this book: **John 20:31** But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

**John 21:25** And there are **also many other things** which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen.

Selective doesn't mean wrong but a representative selection/sample of what happened.

### 2. All history is slanted

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**1 John 5:13** **These things have I written** unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; **that** ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

The author isn't writing an exhaustive, dispassionate account. The author has some very specific ideas &/ angles he wants us to know!

### 3. All history is summary / summarized

**Luke 3:18** And **many other things** in his exhortation preached he unto the people.

**Acts 2:40** And **with many other words** did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

**Acts 15:32** And Judas and Silas, being prophets also themselves, exhorted the brethren **with many words**, and confirmed them.

**Acts 20:2** And when he had gone over those parts, **and had given them much exhortation**, he came into Greece,

**Acts 28:23** And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, **from morning till evening**.

When we finish 2 Samuel 20 and then skip onto 1 Kings 1 we get the truth but only from one perspective.

1 & 2 Samuel → I Chronicles

1 & 2 Kings → II Chronicles

Then we come to 2 Samuel 21-24, 1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, & Nehemiah:

David the son of Jesse

David the one God raised up

David the Anointed of the God of Jacob (chosen & empowered by God)

## David the **sweet Psalmist of Israel!**

**If we had stopped at even 2 Samuel 21 we have:**

- No Psalms
- No musical instruments that David created
- No organization of the Temple Worship
- No preparing of the Tabernacle

**I would call this not only the rest of the story **but** maybe the best of the story!**

**Ezra 3:10** And when the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the LORD, they set the priests in their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals, to praise the LORD, **after the ordinance of David king of Israel.**

**1 Chronicles 6:31** And these are they whom David set over the service of song in the house of the LORD, after that the ark had rest.

**Nehemiah 12:24** And the chief of the Levites: Hashabiah, Sherebiah, and Jeshua the son of Kadmiel, with their brethren over against them, to praise and to give thanks, **according to the commandment of David the man of God, ward over against ward.**

**Nehemiah 12:36** And his brethren, Shemaiah, and Azarael, Milalai, Gilalai, Maai, Nethaneel, and Judah, Hanani, **with the musical instruments of David the man of God,** and Ezra the scribe before them.

**Nehemiah 12:45** And both the singers and the porters kept the ward of their God, and the ward of the purification, **according to the commandment of David,** and of Solomon his son.

**Nehemiah 12:46** For in the days of David and Asaph of old there were chief of the singers, and songs of praise and thanksgiving unto God.

See 1 Chronicles 29+

## David the spokesman for God!

**2 Samuel 23:2** The Spirit of the LORD spake by me, And his word was in my tongue.

**Matthew 22:42** Saying, What think ye of Christ? whose son is he? They say unto him, The Son of David.

**Matthew 22:43** He saith unto them, **How then doth David in spirit** call him Lord, saying, **Matthew 22:44** The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool? **Matthew 22:45** If David then call him Lord, how is he his son?

**Mark 12:35** And Jesus answered and said, while he taught in the temple, How say the scribes that Christ is the Son of David? **Mark 12:36** For David himself said by the Holy Ghost, The LORD said to my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool. **Mark 12:37** David therefore himself calleth him Lord; and whence is he then his son? And the common people heard him gladly.

**Acts 4:25** Who by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things?

**Psalms 110:1** A Psalm of David. **Psalms 110:1** The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, Until I make thine enemies thy footstool. **Psalms 110:2** The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: Rule thou in the midst of thine enemies. **Psalms 110:3** Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holiness From the womb of the morning: thou hast the dew of thy youth. **Psalms 110:4** The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever After the order of Melchizedek.

## David the just ruler!

**2 Samuel 23:3** The God of Israel said, The Rock of Israel spake to me, He that ruleth over men must be just, Ruling in the fear of God.

**2 Samuel 5:4** David was thirty years old when he began to reign, **and he reigned forty years.** **2 Samuel 5:5** In Hebron he reigned over Judah **seven years and six months:** and in Jerusalem he reigned **thirty and three years** over all Israel and Judah.