

**David: A Man After God's Own Heart!
Unusual Suspects, Pt. 3**

1 Samuel 13:14

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1 Samuel 13:14, "But now your kingdom will not endure; the LORD has sought out a man after his own heart and appointed him ruler of his people, because you have not kept the LORD'S command."

- **Saul Looked the Part – David LIVED the Part**

1 Samuel 9:2, Kish had a son named Saul, as handsome a young man as could be found anywhere in Israel, and he was a head taller than anyone else.

- **Saul Had Potential – But Lacked FOLLOW-THROUGH**

1 Samuel 10:24, Samuel said to all the people, "Do you see the man the LORD has chosen? There is no one like him among all the people."

1 Samuel 13:13, "You have done a foolish thing," Samuel said. "You have not kept the command the LORD your God gave you..."

- **Saul Feared People – David Feared GOD**

1 Samuel 15:24, ... "I was afraid of the men and so I gave in to them."

- **Saul Built Monuments to Himself – David Built ALTARS to God**

1 Samuel 15:12, ... "Saul has gone to Carmel. There he has set up a monument in his own honor..."

2 Samuel 24:25, David built an altar to the LORD there and sacrificed burnt offerings and fellowship offerings.

What Made David So Special? David Had...

1. A Heart That Chooses Faith Before the FIGHT

1 Samuel 17:37, "The LORD who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine."

Proverbs 3:5, Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; **6** in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

Psalm 20:7, Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God.

2. A Heart That Trusts God's TIMING

1 Samuel 24:6, He said to his men, "The LORD forbid that I should do such a thing to my master, the LORD'S anointed, or lay my hand on him; for he is the anointed of the LORD."

Isaiah 40:31, but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

Psalm 27:14, Wait for the LORD; be strong and take heart and wait for the LORD.

3. A Heart That Steps Up When It COUNTS

2 Samuel 5:3, 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. **4** David was thirty years old when he became king, and he reigned forty years.

Joshua 1:9, "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be

discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.”

1 Corinthians 16:13, *Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong.*

4. A Heart That Comes Clean and **COMES BACK**

2 Samuel 12:13, *Then David said to Nathan, “I have sinned against the LORD.” Nathan replied, “The LORD has taken away your sin. You are not going to die.”*

Psalm 51:10, *Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.*

1 John 1:9, *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.*

5. A Heart That Worships God Without **HOLDING BACK**

2 Samuel 6:14, *Wearing a linen ephod, David was dancing before the LORD with all his might,*

Romans 1:16, *For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes...*

John 4:24, *“God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.”*

6. A Heart for the Next **GENERATION**

1 Chronicles 28:9, *“And you, my son Solomon, acknowledge the God of your father, and serve him with wholehearted devotion and with a willing mind, for the LORD searches every heart and understands every desire and every thought. If you seek him, he will be found by you; but if you forsake him, he will reject you forever. **10** Consider now, for the LORD has chosen*

you to build a house as the sanctuary. Be strong and do the work.”

Deuteronomy 6:6, *These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. **7** Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road...*

Psalm 145:4, *One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts.*

7. A Heart That Stays Faithful to the **FINAL BREATH**

Acts 13:36, *“Now when David had served God’s purpose in his own generation, he fell asleep; he was buried with his ancestors and his body decayed.”*

2 Timothy 4:7, *I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.*

Philippians 1:6, *being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.*