



# Happy Father's Day

*Don't be afraid to make this journey; remember when God cared for you in Egypt & in the wilderness all the way to this place - JUST LIKE a father carries his son. (Deut. 1:29-31)*

## DAVID

Judah was the 4<sup>th</sup> son of Jacob.

The family line = Abraham → Isaac → Jacob → Judah → David

### A Few Introductory Points

- King Saul was the first king of United Israel (1 Sam. 10:20). He was not related to Judah.
- King David was the second king of United Israel (2 Sam. 2:4). He was related to Judah.
- King Solomon was the third king of the United Israel (1 Kings 1:43) - Son of King David
- King Rehoboam was the fourth king of the United Israel (1 Kings 11:43) - Son of King Solomon
- The Kingdom of Israel split into two kingdoms: Rehoboam ruled the Southern Kingdom ("Judah")  
Jeroboam ruled the Northern Kingdom ("Israel")

1. Which king was the first one in the Judah family line? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How many kings were in the Judah family line? \_\_\_\_\_
3. How many reigned in a godly way? \_\_\_\_\_
4. How many did not reign in a godly way? \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No Just because God chose Judah's family line to provide all the kings of the Southern Kingdom, and to be the line of the Messiah, did that guarantee that they would all be godly people?
6. Why would God select the tribe of Judah then?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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<u>The Kings of Judah</u>		
Rehoboam	Son of Solomon	Godly King
Abijam	Son of Rehoboam	Godly King
Asa	Son of Abijam	Godly King
Jehoshaphat	Son of Asa	Godly King
Johoram	Son of Jehoshaphat	Ungodly King
Ahaziah	Son of Jehoram	Ungodly King
Jehoash	Son of Ahaziah	Ungodly King
Amaziah	Son of Jehoash	Ungodly King
Uzziah	Son of Amaziah	Godly King
Jotham	Son of Uzziah	Godly King
Ahaz	Son of Jotham	Ungodly King
Hezekiah	Son of Ahaz	Godly King
Manasseh	Son of Hezekiah	Ungodly King
Amon	Son of Manasseh	Ungodly King
Josiah	Son of Amon	Godly King
Jehoahaz	Son of Josiah	Ungodly King
Jehoiakim	Son of Josiah	Ungodly King
Jehoiachin	Son of Jehoiakim	Ungodly King
Zedekiah	Son of Josiah	Ungodly King

**Notice what the Apostle Paul said to Timothy in a letter: (1 Timothy 1:12-13)**

*"And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man; but I obtained mercy because I did it ignorantly in unbelief."*

7. \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No Does my bad past disqualify me from having a productive future?
8. Your thoughts: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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### LET'S FOCUS IN ON DAVID'S SELECTION AS KING

9. God had a plan; He told it to the Prophet Samuel. What was the plan? (1 Sam. 16:1)

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10. Yes No Does God still have a plan even if things seemed impossible? (1 Sam. 16:2)

**Notice this. God knew what He was doing. (1 Sam. 16:1-13)**

- God selected a certain man's family & called him by name.
- God picked a certain Jewish tribe in a certain town.
- God said He would pick one of the sons in that family. "I will point him out to you."
- God said to Samuel, "This is the one." (1 Sam. 16:12)

11. Yes No Is it possible that God was just as specific & deliberate picking you as He was when He picked David to be king?

**John 15:16 - You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you.**

**This is Jesus' Farewell Conversation with the Disciples (John 13-17)**

- Jesus loved these men; He walked with these men; He put His arms around these men.
- They had supper together sometime in the late afternoon; He washed their feet; He sent Judas Iscariot out to do his betrayal; He warned Peter that he would deny he knew Jesus; He told them about their heavenly home; He promised He would send the Holy Spirit; **IT WAS A BUSY EVENING!!**
- When their conversation was over, they walked to the garden in the dark. (John 18:3)

12. Rewrite the underlined words in the verse above (John 15:16).

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- Listen to this: Jesus did not say "I need you"; He said, "I want you". Pretty cool? Yes No

**OK, BACK TO DAVID - WHAT WAS SO SPECIAL ABOUT HIM?**

**1 Samuel 16:13 - The Spirit of the Lord came upon David from that day forward.**

**Acts 13:22 - God raised up for Israel David as king ..and said. "I have found David, a man after My own heart, one who will do My will."**

**1 Samuel 16:7 The Lord said to Samuel, "Do not select a king based on appearance or physical stature because I will reject that person. For the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."**

13. Yes No I could not find any other person in the Old Testament that was described like David was in 1 Samuel 16:13. Do you believe that?

14. Yes No Did the Spirit of God come upon Gideon? (Judges 6:34)

15. How many times did the Spirit of God come upon Samson? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Judges 13:25; 14:6; 14:19; 15:14)

16. What did the Spirit of the Lord do for King Saul in:

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| a. 1 Samuel 10:10 | <input type="checkbox"/> Come upon Saul | <input type="checkbox"/> Leave Saul |
| b. 1 Samuel 11:6  | <input type="checkbox"/> Come upon Saul | <input type="checkbox"/> Leave Saul |
| c. 1 Samuel 16:14 | <input type="checkbox"/> Come upon Saul | <input type="checkbox"/> Leave Saul |

**Notice what was said about David in 1 Samuel 16:13:**

**"The Spirit of God came upon David from that day forward.**

### A LITTLE CLARIFICATION

- In the Old Testament, the Spirit of God came upon certain people so as to perform a certain task at a particular time.
- Therefore, the Spirit of God was not always controlling or motivating the Old Testament men & women.
- The Old Testament believers knew God personally, and they enjoyed His presence & guidance, but the Spirit of God was not always within or over them.
- Notice Gideon. In Judges 6:12, "The Lord is with you .."
- Notice Gideon again. In Judges 6:34, "The Spirit of the Lord came upon Gideon."
  - a. These two conditions appear to be different in Gideon's life.

17. However, check out 1 Corinthians 3:16. Write it out.

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- The Old Testament believers had the Spirit of God come over them only when God gave a task to do.
- The New Testament believers have the Spirit of God living in them as soon as they accept Christ as Savior.

18.   Yes   No      Does it appear, based on this study so far, even though it is hard to understand, that possibly the Spirit of God did not ever leave David?

### A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

1. 1 Sam. 18:14      "And David behaved \_\_\_\_\_ in all his ways."
2. 1 Sam. 23:2      "Therefore David asked \_\_\_\_\_ for instructions."
3. 1 Sam. 24:6      David honored the things that God honored. (King Saul)
4. 1 Sam. 25:33      He gave \_\_\_\_\_ credit for averting an unnecessary bloody battle.
5. 1 Sam. 30:6      David \_\_\_\_\_ himself in the Lord.
6. 2 Sam. 3:1      David grew \_\_\_\_\_ and the house of Saul grew \_\_\_\_\_.
7. 1 Kings 9:4      David walked in \_\_\_\_\_ of heart and \_\_\_\_\_.
8. 1 Kings 11:4      David's heart was \_\_\_\_\_ to God.
9. 1 Kings 15:5      David did \_\_\_\_\_ in the eyes of the Lord.
10. 1 Kings 15:5      David did not \_\_\_\_\_ aside from God's commands his whole \_\_\_\_\_, EXCEPT FOR MATTER OF URIAH THE HITTITE.
11. 2 Sam. 7:21      David gave \_\_\_\_\_ to God.
12. 2 Sam. 12:13      David admitted that he \_\_\_\_\_ against the Lord.
13. 1 Sam. 17:23      David trusted God for the impossible, specifically \_\_\_\_\_.
14. 1 Sam. 17:45      David said, "How dare you, Goliath, to \_\_\_\_\_ the armies of God."

**WAIT A MINUTE!! DAVID SINNED. HE KILLED; HE COMMITTED ADULTERY; HE HAD TOO MANY WIVES. GOD SAID TO HIM, "YOU HAVE DESPISED ME." (2 Sam. 12:10)**

Check this out: **2 Samuel 12:13** – Nathan the prophet said to David [after his sin]. "The Lord has put away your sin; you shall not die."

The penalty for killing someone (not in war) was the **DEATH PENALTY**.

The penalty for committing adultery was the **DEATH PENALTY**.

God loved the loyal, obedient, repentant heart that David had; He hated David's sin. **WHAT FORGIVENESS.**

You get this forgiveness too. Your Comments. \_\_\_\_\_

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**GOOD NEWS! AFTER DAVID'S FAILURE & SIN, HE STILL HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO PLEASE GOD. HE WAS ABLE TO MAKE CHANGES.**

15. What did God do?

- a. God forgave David's sin of murder & adultery. (2 Sam. 12:13) \_\_Yes \_\_No
- b. God loved David's son, Solomon, from the start. (2 Sam. 12:24) \_\_Yes \_\_No
- c. God kept His agreement to make David's family great. (2 Sam. 7:12-16; 23:5) \_\_Yes \_\_No
- d. God heard David's prayer & withdrew the famine. (2 Sam. 24:25) \_\_Yes \_\_No
- e. God allowed David to return to Jerusalem. (2 Sam. 15:25; 24:8) \_\_Yes \_\_No

16. What did David do?

- a. He wanted to die in \_\_\_\_\_ place. (2 Sam. 18:33)
- b. He tolerated \_\_\_\_\_ & the throwing of \_\_\_\_\_. (2 Sam. 16:5-6)
- c. He took in & cared for King \_\_\_\_\_ grandson. (2 Sam. 21:7)
- d. He gave God credit for all his \_\_\_\_\_ & successes. (2 Sam. 22:1-2)
- e. He did not want to offer worship to God that cost him \_\_\_\_\_. (2 Sam. 24:24)

**WHAT ABOUT THE CONSEQUENCES?**

17. David repented & changed but "he missed out on so much". (2 Sam. 12:8)

Your comment: \_\_\_\_\_

18. David repented & changed but he was publicly humiliated for his private sin. (2 Sam. 12:12)

Your comment: \_\_\_\_\_

19. David repented & changed but his enemies laughed at his God. (2 Sam. 12:14) This one hurts.

Your comment: \_\_\_\_\_

20. David repented & changed but David's son, Amnon, raped David's daughter, Tamar. (2 Sam. 13:14)

Your comment: \_\_\_\_\_

21. David repented & changed but David' son, Absalom, killed David's son, Amnon. (2 Sam. 13:32)

Who do you blame for this? \_\_\_\_\_

22. David repented & changed but his son, Absalom, committed treason & tried to take the throne. (15:13)

Why would Absalom want to do this? \_\_\_\_\_

23. David repented & changed but his son, Absalom, was killed in battle. (2 Sam. 18:15)

Why did David need this grief? \_\_\_\_\_

24. David repented & changed but he already had 8 wives & multiple concubines.

Why was there an obsession with sex? \_\_\_\_\_

**WHAT'S LEFT FOR DAVID? (What's left for you and me?)**

- He still had other children who he could point in the right direction.
- He had several wives & other sex partners he could seek healing for.
- He could try to make things right with those he had hurt & violated. If not, pray for them.
- He could pray for his children and ask God to grow them & protect them from his mistakes.

*"Oh God, give my son, Solomon, a loyal heart to keep your commandments, and to accomplish Your will."* (1 Chr. 29:19)

**God did.** *"Solomon was strengthened in his kingdom, and the Lord was with him; God exceedingly exalted him."* (2 Chr. 1:1)

25. \_\_Yes \_\_No Does your family still need you. Does someone still need you? \_\_Yes \_\_No

26. \_\_Yes \_\_No Can God use your mistakes to rebuild relationships & start fresh?

Remember what David said after he sinned: **"I have sinned against the Lord"** (2 Sam. 12:13). He did not sin against Bathsheba; He did not sin against the child; He did not sin against Uriah. He hurt them & violated them **BUT HE SINNED AGAINST GOD - SO, LET GOD REBUILD & HEAL THE PEOPLE YOU HAVE HURT.**

**YOUR LIFE IS NOT OVER. YOU WERE NEVER WORTHLESS & YOU ARE NOT WORTHLESS NOW.**