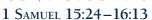
DAVID: A MAN OF PASSION & DESTINY

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The Heart of the Matter

Solitude. Obscurity. Monotony. Reality. These were the tools God used to prepare His servant, David, for the throne. For many years a shepherd, David distinguished himself as a faithful man. Small wonder that the Lord, while searching the earth for a man after His heart, landed on Jesse's youngest son. David showed himself strong in the little things . . . so God selected him for big things. Let's take a look at how that selection transpired.



Discovering the Way

1. Man Panics . . . God Provides (1 Samuel 15:24–16:3) Saul's failure as king led the people to panic, so God protected Samuel from the fallen king.

2. Man Chooses . . . God Corrects (1 Samuel 16:4–10)

The "kingly" candidates paraded before Samuel, but God chose His man based on internal qualities of good character and integrity.

3. Man Forgets . . . God Remembers (1 Samuel 16:11–13)

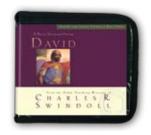
While Jesse never intended to call in his youngest son, David, Samuel recognized God's choice of the boy by anointing him as he entered the house.



Starting Your Journey

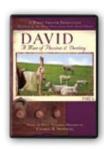
As we apply this story, it helps to keep three things in mind: God's promotions are usually sudden and surprising; God's solutions are often strange and simple; and God's selections are always sovereign and sure.





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