

## The Mistakes Of King David

Acts 13:13-23

*King David: Victories And Defeats*

## History of King David

David a hero by man" standard.

- Victories:
  - Smote Moab. *2 Sam. 8:2*
  - Smote King of Zobah. *2 Sam. 8:3*
  - Smote Syria. *2 Sam. 8:5*
  - Killed a lion and a bear. *1 Sam. 17:33-36*
  - Killed Goliath the Philistine. *1 Sam. 17:41-50*
  - Praised by the women of Israel. *1 Sam. 18:7*

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## History of King David

David a hero by God's standard.

- Jehovah's anointed as King. *1 Sam. 16:6-13*
- David's faith conquered his fear. *1 Sam. 17:26ff*
  - Saul offered a reward. *1 Sam. 17:25*
  - David's confidence in the Lord. *1 Sam. 17:36ff*
  - David received the promise. *2 Sam. 7:12-16*
  - A man after God's own heart. *Acts 13:22*
  - Man of faith. *Heb. 11:32-34*

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## David's Mistakess Faith Vs. Pride

- Pride
  - Pride caused him to number the people.  
After war with the Philistines. *1 Chron. 21:1*
  - God displeased and smote the people  
(*1 Chron 21:7*)...Consequences – 70,000 died.  
*2 Sam. 24:1*
- David repented. *2 Sam. 24:10; 1 Chron. 21:16*

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## David's Mistakes Faith Vs. Anxiety

- Anxiety.
  - Many hated him. *Ps. 69:4*
  - Saul. *1 Sam. 18:10; 19:2,9; 20:1-3*
    - Pursues David *1 Sam. Ch. 23-24*
  - Absalom, his son rebelled. *2 Sam. 15:12 – 2 Sam. 19 (note: 2 Sam. 18:5, 29ff)*
- David overcame his anxiety.
  - *Heb. 13:6; quote from...Ps. 118:6*
  - *1 Pet. 5:7; quote from... Ps. 55:22*

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## David's Mistakes Faith Vs. Revenge

- Revenge.
  - David wanted to kill Nabal. *1 Sam. 25:2ff, 13, 21-25*
- David overcame his revenge.
  - Allowed King Saul to live.  
*1 Sam. 24-25 (En-gedi); cf. 1 Sam. 26:9-10 (Ziph)*
  - Allowed Nabal to live. *1 Sam. 25:32-33*

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## David's Mistakes Faith Vs. Lust

- Lust. **2 Sam. 11**
  - Idleness (1-2); Evil thoughts (2-3); Coveting his neighbor's wife (3-4); Adultery (4); Lying & deceit (6-13); Murder (14-17); Hypocrisy (25)
  - Caused enemies of Jehovah to blaspheme. **2 Sam. 12:14**
- David overcame his lust.
  - Nathan's rebuke. **2 Sam. 12:1-6**,
  - David repents. **2 Sam. 12:13; cf. Ps. 51:1ff**
  - Note what David says about rebellion. **Ps. 32:3-5, 9-10**

## David's Mistakes Faith Vs. Despair

- Despair.
  - Child dies. **2 Sam. 12:10-23**
  - Amnon rapes Tamar. **2 Sam. 13:1-14**
  - Absalom kills Amnon. **2 Sam. 13:32-33**
  - Absalom rebels against David. **2 Sam. 15:13-14, 30-31; 16:6; 17:24**
  - Absalom is killed, David is crushed. **2 Sam. 18:33**
- David overcame despair. **2 Sam. 12:24; 2 Sam. 18:1-8**

## Lessons To Be Learned:

- Application: Lesson On Courage
- Faith Vs. Fear
  - We need to be men of courage today. **Mt. 10:28; Rev. 21:8**

## Lessons To Be Learned:

- Application: Lesson On Humility
- Faith Vs. Pride
  - **Ps 8:3-4** "When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained; What is man, that thou art mindful of him? And the son of man, that thou visitest him?" **cf. Ps. 33:16-18**
  - **Rom. 12:3; 1 Cor. 1:25; Mt. 18:3; Jms. 4:6,10**

## Lessons To Be Learned:

- Application: Lesson On Trust
- Faith Vs. Anxiety
  - David quoted in **Heb. 13:6; cf. Ps. 118:6**
  - David quoted in **1 Pet. 5:7; cf. Ps. 55:22**
  - **1 Cor. 10:13**
  - **Mt. 6:33-34; Phil. 4:6-7**

## Lessons To Be Learned:

- Application: Lesson On Patience
- Faith Vs. Revenge
  - David lived under the O.T. law of God. "Vengeance is mine, and recompense, At the time when their foot shall slide: For the day of their calamity is at hand, And the things that are to come upon them shall make haste. For Jehovah will judge his people" (**Deut 32:35-36**)
  - We live under the N.T. law of God. "Avenge not yourselves, beloved, but give place unto the wrath (of God): for it is written, Vengeance belongeth unto me; I will recompense, saith the Lord" (**Rom 12:19; cf. Mt. 6:38-39**)

## Lessons To Be Learned:

- Application: Lesson On Self-Control
- Faith Vs. Lust
  - Control the heart. Mt. 15:18-19
  - LUST -- Rom 1:24; 1 Cor. 6:18; 1 Cor 10:6; Gal 5:16-17,24; Eph. 2:3; Titus 2:12; 1 Peter 1:14; (cf. Gen. 39:7-12)

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## Lessons To Be Learned:

- Application: Lesson On Hope
- Faith Vs. Despair
  - Cf. Ps. 23
  - Despair replaced with hope. 1 Cor. 15:55ff; cf. 2 Cor. 4:18ff

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## Conclusion... Lessons To Be Learned:

- May we heed the words of this great hero of faith to his son Solomon..
- *1 Chron 28:9 "And thou, Solomon my son, know thou the God of thy father, and serve him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind; for Jehovah searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts; if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever."*

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