

THE WAITING ROOM

Where Kings Are Made

David is one of the most celebrated people in all of scripture. His story is not one of a meteoric rise to greatness, but one filled with waiting. He was anointed as a boy, but did not become king for another 15 years. This week, we will learn from his life and faithfulness about the work that is happening in the waiting room.

Day 1 Read 1 Samuel 16

What are some things you already notice about David that set him apart from the rest? What specifically did God see in David that God did not see in David's brothers? What does this tell us about what God values? What would you say is the condition of your heart?

Day 2 Read Samuel 17

What do you notice about David's character from his encounter with Goliath? Why was he able to face the giant when everyone else hid in fear? What specific character quality do you see in David that you would like to have more of in your own life?

Day 3 Read Psalm 63

This is a psalm attributed to David. What can we learn about David's heart from this psalm? What wisdom does it offer us in the midst of our own waiting room?

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Day 4 Read 2 Samuel 5:1-10

David did not become king until he was 33, which was 15 years after he was anointed by the prophet as a young boy. Why were those years so pivotal for David? How does this encourage you?

Day 5 Read 2 Samuel 11

The same David that killed the giant is the same David that murdered Uriah and sexually assaulted Bathsheba. How could a “man after God’s own heart” do such a thing? What character flaws led David to commit such a crime? How does David’s fall serve as a warning for you?

Day 6 Read Psalm 51

David wrote this Psalm after he was confronted by the prophet Nathan. What does this powerful lament have to teach us about the nature of confession and repentance? In verse 12, David asks God to grant him a willing spirit to sustain him. What does that mean and why would David need God to do that for him? According to this psalm what would you say is the ultimate goal of repentance?

Day 7 Read Psalm 79:55-72

This psalm is not credited to David, but it does mention him. How is David different from the former leaders of the people? Put verse 72 in your own words. What wisdom does this offer us in our own waiting rooms?

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