



The King's Son

Lessons from a Selfless Servant



The United Kingdom

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- ▶ Became Focused on Self, Fell away from God

- ▶ David:

- ▶ Second King of Israel
- ▶ Trusted God, Defeated the Giant
- ▶ A man After God's Own Heart
- ▶ Lineage of the Messiah



From Saul to David

- ▶ God removed the kingdom from Saul because:
 - ▶ He didn't trust in God. 1 Sam 13:5, 8-12
 - ▶ He disobeyed God's commands. 1 Sam 15:2-3, 13-19
 - ▶ He sought his own position and glory 1 Sam 18:7-9, 28-29, 20:30-33
- ▶ God gave the kingdom to David because:
 - ▶ He Trusted in God. 1 Sam 17:37, 46-47
 - ▶ He obeyed God's commands. 1 Sam 23:2-4, 30:8; 2 Sam 2:1, 5:19
 - ▶ He was humble, and did not seek his own glory. 1 Sam 24:4-10, 12



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- ▶ Jonathan:
 - ▶ Son of Saul
 - ▶ Heir to the Throne
- ▶ David:
 - ▶ Second King of Israel
 - ▶ Defeated the Giant, Goliath
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The Character of Jonathan

- ▶ God did not give the kingdom to Jonathan:
 - ▶ Jonathan trusted in God (D&G 1.0):
 - ▶ 1 Sam 14:1,6-7 “The Lord is not Restrained to save by many or by few”
 - ▶ He obeyed God's commands:
 - ▶ 1 Sam 20:30-33 Saul Tries to kill Jonathan
 - ▶ 1 Sam 31:1-2 Jonathan continues to serve his Father (honors his father)
 - ▶ He did not seek his own Glory:
 - ▶ 1 Sam 18:1-4 Jonathan gives David his princely robe, armor, and weapons.
 - ▶ 1 Sam 23:17 “You will be king in Israel and I will be next to you”
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Why Wasn't Jonathan to be King?

- ▶ It wasn't because he was lacking in character.
- ▶ He trusted in God.
- ▶ He obeyed God's commands.
- ▶ He was humble.
- ▶ He was wise.
- ▶ He was a good leader.

But...

He was the son of Saul.



What is your position?

- ▶ Are you poor, or are you rich?
 - ▶ Poor - 1 Tim 6:6-11
 - ▶ Rich – 1 Tim 6:17-19
- ▶ Are you younger or older?
 - ▶ Younger – Eccl 12:1
 - ▶ Younger and Older – Titus 2:2-8
- ▶ Are you single, or married?
 - ▶ Single – 1 Cor 7:6-9
 - ▶ Married – Ephesians 5:22-25
- ▶ Are you male or female?
 - ▶ God made each as he intended – Gen 1:27, Psalm 139:13-14, 17
 - ▶ God gave roles to each – Proverbs 31:10-31, 1 Tim 2:8-12, 3:1-13



The conclusion, when all has been heard, *is*:
fear **God** and **keep His commandments**, because
this *applies to every person*.

Ecclesiastes 12:13