Series: Life of David September 14, 2025

DAVID, A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

Central Idea: As believers, we desire a heart that reflects the heart of God.

A Surprising Choice (1-13)

One plan (1-5)

Two perspectives (6-13)

- Three questions
 - 1. Why wasn't David present?
 - 2. How old was David?
 - 3. Did David and his family understand what Samuel had done?

(2) A Penetrating Look

Meaning – a person after God's own heart?

Example – David's heart

A Continuous Work

- God examines our hearts
- God changes our hearts

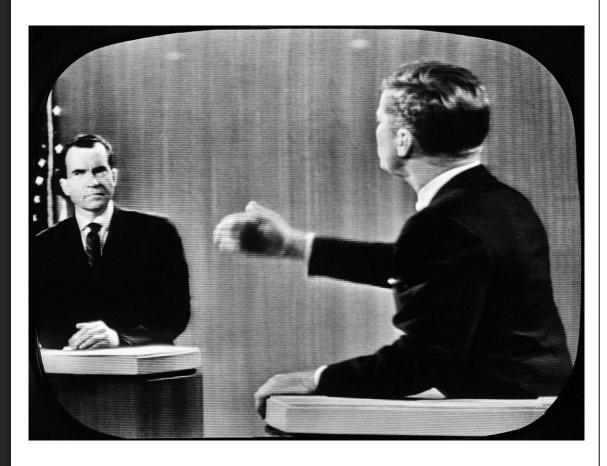
Questions for Personal Reflection or Group Discussion

- 1. In our passage, God chose a new leader for His people. What comes to mind when you think about leadership from God's perspective? Why does God choose certain individuals for positions of leadership?
- 2. Samuel was hesitant to obey God's command to anoint a new king for obvious reasons. But he is obedient to the Lord. What does this show about faith and fear?
- 3. What do we learn about God's timing and preparation through David being anointed long before he actually became king?
- 4. Why might David, the youngest and least expected, have been overlooked by his family? Have you ever felt overlooked or underestimated? How does this passage encourage you?
- 5. God tells Samuel that He looks at the heart, not outward appearance. What are some ways we are tempted to judge by outward appearances today?
- 6. Pastor Chuck suggested several ways David's heart aligned with God's heart. Add to the list and discuss what these mean in our daily walk with God.
- 7. How might we cultivate a "heart after God" like David's? How can we encourage each other in becoming people after God's own heart?

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This outline is provided to assist you in understanding and applying today's message. *David, A Man After God's Own Heart* is the second message in a series on the Life of David. This message can be listened to or downloaded at cbcomaha.org.









1 Samuel 16.1-13

Samuel said to Saul, "You have acted foolishly; you have not kept the commandment of the LORD your God, which He commanded you, for now the LORD would have established your kingdom over Israel forever. But now your kingdom shall not endure. The LORD has sought out for Himself *a man after His own heart*, and the LORD has appointed him as ruler over His people, because you have not kept what the LORD commanded you."

1 Samuel 13.13-14

1 Samuel 16.1-13

Then they asked for a king, and God gave them Saul the son of Kish, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, for forty years. After He had removed him, He raised up David to be their king, concerning whom He also testified and said, 'I HAVE FOUND DAVID the son of Jesse, *A MAN AFTER MY HEART*, who will do all My will.'

Acts 13.21-22

1 Samuel 16.1-13

A Surprising Choice ...

- One plan
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Psalm 51.5

Heb: Look, in wrongdoing I was brought forth, and in sin my mother conceived me.

NET: Look, I was guilty of sin from birth, a sinner the moment my mother conceived me.

NIV: Surely, I was sinful at birth, sinful from the

time my mother conceived me.

NASB: Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin my mother conceived me.

ESV: Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.

NKJV: Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin my mother conceived me.

1 Samuel 16.1-13

A Penetrating Look ...

- Meaning
- Example

A person after God's own heart is a person whose life is in harmony with the Lord.

1 Samuel 16.1-13

A Penetrating Look ...

- Meaning
- Example

A BELIEVING HEART

The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God."

Psalm 14.1

1 Samuel 16.1-13

A Penetrating Look ...

- Meaning
- Example

A THANKFUL HEART

I will give thanks to the Lord with all my heart; I will tell of all Your wonders.

Psalm 9.1

1 Samuel 16.1-13

A Penetrating Look ...

- Meaning
- Example

A TRUTHFUL HEART

O Lord, who may abide in Your tent? Who may dwell on Your holy hill? He who walks with integrity, and works righteousness, and speaks truth in his heart.

Psalm 15.1

1 Samuel 16.1-13

A Penetrating Look ...

- Meaning
- Example

AN OPEN HEART

Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my anxious thoughts; and see if there be any hurtful way in me, and lead me in the everlasting way.

Psalm 139.23-24

1 Samuel 16.1-13

A Penetrating Look ...

- Meaning
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AN EXPECTANT HEART

Delight yourself in the Lord; and He will give you the desires of your heart.
Commit your way to the Lord, trust also in Him, and He will do it.

Psalm 37.4-5

1 Samuel 16.1-13

A Penetrating Look ...

- Meaning
- Example

A HEART THAT LOVES GOD'S LAW

I delight to do Your will, O my God; Your Law is within my heart.

Psalm 40.8

1 Samuel 16.1-13

A Penetrating Look ...

- Meaning
- Example

A HEART THAT LOVES GOD'S LAW

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

Psalm 19.14

1 Samuel 16.1-13

A Penetrating Look ...

- Meaning
- Example

A SORROWFUL HEART

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me ... The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and a contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.

Psalm 51.10, 17

1 Samuel 16.1-13

A Penetrating Look ...

- Meaning
- Example

A HUMBLE HEART

O Lord, my heart is not proud, or my eyes haughty; nor do I involve myself in great matters, or in things too difficult for me.

Psalm 131.1

1 Samuel 16.1-13

A Penetrating Look ...

- Meaning
- Example

A DEPENDENT HEART

Hear my cry, O God! Give heed to my prayer. From the end of the earth I call to You, when my heart is faint; lead me to the rock that is higher than I. For You have been a refuge for me, a tower of strength against the enemy. Let me dwell in Your tent forever; let me take refuge in the shelter of Your wings.

Psalm 61.1-4

1 Samuel 16.1-13

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Our prayer ...

God, go ahead and do in my heart what needs to be done. Take what is wrong and fix it.

Cleanse it, straighten me out, Lord, touch my heart.