David The Great

"Samuel asked Jesse, "Are these all the sons you have?" "There is still the youngest," Jesse answered. "He is tending the sheep." Samuel said, "Send for him; we will not sit down until he arrives." [1 Samuel 16:11]

"Until the day Samuel died, he did not go to see Saul again, though Samuel mourned for him." [1 Samuel 15:35]

"The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king."

[1 Samuel 16:1]

1. God sees our disappointments and helps us turn the page

"... a time to mourn and a time to dance." [Ecclesiastes 3:4]

"When they arrived, Samuel saw Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed stands here before the Lord."

"But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." [1 Samuel 16:6-7]

2. God sees the ordinary and values the heart.

Should you then seek great things for yourself? Do not seek them. [Jeremiah 45:5]

- obscurity
- monotony
- bloom

"Do not lift up your horn on high... promotion doesn't come from the east or the west, God is the One who sets one up and one down." [Psalm 75:5-7]

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"When Eliab, David's oldest brother, heard him speaking with the men, he burned in anger at him and asked, "Why have you come down here? And with whom did you leave those few sheep in the wilderness? I know how conceited you are and how wicked your heart is; you come down only to watch the battle."

[1 Samuel 17:28]

3. God sees the critical spirit

"Jesse had seven of his sons pass before Samuel, but Samuel said to him, "The Lord has not chosen these."

So he asked Jesse, "Are these all the sons you have?"

"There is still the youngest," Jesse answered. "He is tending the sheep." [1 Samuel 16:10-11]

4. God sees our father wounds

"Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of the Lord rushed upon David from that day forward." [1 Samuel 16:13 ESV]

5. God sees our need for the Holy Spirit because it makes the difference

"And Pharaoh said to his servants, 'Can we find a man like this, in whom is the Spirit of God'" ? [Genesis 41:38]

"But the Spirit of the LORD clothed Gideon.." [Judges 6:34]

"And the Spirit of the LORD rushed upon him.." [Judges 14:19]

"...power from on high." [Luke 24:49]