

Series: DAVID: Portrait of a King

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Message: A Reluctant Hero

Text: I Samuel 16:1-13

DIGGING DEEPER GUIDE

BIG IDEA: BE WHO GOD CALLS YOU TO BE...NOT SOMEONE ELSE

Getting Started

Whom did you most admire as a teenager?

Why?

Reflection/Discussion Questions

1. What is the purpose of anointing and why is it important in Scripture?
2. When the Lord told Samuel to anoint one of Jesse's sons, David wasn't even in the room. Why is it important that David, one of the most valuable people in the Bible, wasn't immediately visible that day?
3. How do you encourage yourself to stay faithful to something when you don't feel valued or appreciated?
4. 'Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.' Why is humility such an important characteristic to God?
5. If you had been one of David's brothers, how would you have felt watching your younger brother get chosen?
6. When do you get caught in the "comparison trap?" How can comparison steal your joy?
7. What are the prayer requests on your mind today?

Prayer: God, thank you for the power and anointing of the Holy Spirit to do what you have called us to do every day. Forgive us when we compare ourselves to others. Help us to be who you call us to be and serve you with a humble heart, just as David did. Amen.

Going Deeper: David was known "as a man after God's own heart" (Acts 13:22). What made him that way? Look up "David" in the concordance in the back of your Bible. What pictures of David do you see there?

FOCUS SCRIPTURES:

"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 man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.'" I Samuel 16:6-7

"Then Samuel asked Jesse, 'Are these all the sons you have?' 'There is still the youngest,' Jesse answered, 'but he is tending the sheep.'" When David came in, the Lord said, 'Rise and anoint him; he is the one.'" I Samuel 16:11-12