

## DAVID – SHAPING A SHEPHERD PART 2

### “THE HEART OF WORSHIP”

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### INTRODUCTION

- Last week we saw that David was first and foremost a shepherd.

### I. MUSIC AS WORSHIP

- David understood worship as a gateway to God's presence!
- 2 Samuel 6:14-15, “And David danced before the Lord...<sup>15</sup>So David and all the people of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouts of joy and the blowing of rams' horns.”
- David develops into a man after God's own heart.
- Scripture indicates that it's David who introduces instrumental music as an act of worship.
- He learned to worship as a young man, in solitude.
- Alone with the sheep, he built his relationship and love for God.
- David chose to believe what God had spoken over him more than what people said about him - 1 Samuel 16
- David chose to develop in the obscurity of life, so that he could someday let God fulfill His way in him.

### II. HEART OF WORSHIP

- Saul, the first king of Israel, had the same opportunity David had.
- 1 Samuel 13:13-14, “You have not kept the command the Lord your God gave you. Had you kept it, the Lord

would have established your kingdom over Israel forever.

<sup>14</sup>But now your kingdom must end, for the Lord has sought out a man after His own heart...”

- How do we cultivate a heart after God?
  - It begins with solitude, and it's built slowly.
  - It's always built through choosing direction.
- If you want to do good work, we have both heart and skill.
- David's heart was cultivated in solitude, but his skill was honed by opportunity.

### III. STEPPING INTO GREATNESS

- Without the Solitude, David's future would have been uncertain.
- Conviction, character and skill are never developed or discovered in the moment of need; they are only revealed in them.
- Embrace the Waiting - The path of maturity is found in the seasons of preparation.
- Psalm 37:5 NKJV, “Commit your way to the Lord, trust also in Him, and He shall bring *it* to pass.”
- Fulfill the Promise - David waited, he never forced his way.
- 1 Samuel 16:14-23 - David's destiny was outlined by being ready to do the right thing.
- He stayed on his number.

### CLOSE

- 1 Samuel 16:13-15 - The prophet Samuel anointed David, and the Spirit of the Lord came upon him with great power.
- A heart of worship is cultivated, it is never coerced and is always created in circumstances that seem at odds with what we should believe.