

David and Saul – Lessons in Spiritual Warfare  
between the King of Light and the King of Darkness  
PART 1

The study of David and Saul is a true study of spiritual warfare – like Satan who once belonged to Elohim and then was cast out, so it was with Saul. The Spirit of Yahuweh that was given to Saul was taken from him, leaving him with a tormented mind and soul that produced the vilest hate against righteous David. The torment and hate cried, “Why can I not have the same favor – I AM KING!” - Saul’s 1000’s and David’s 10,000’s.

Russ Dizdar mentioned that 1/3 of the last days prophecies reveal Satan’s plans for the world – His agenda and methods – There must be discernment!

“I have written unto you, fathers, because ye have known him that is from the beginning. I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one.” - 1 John 2:14 – the power to overcome is through the Word that LIVES inside of us!

“Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater (MEGAS) is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.” - 1 John 4:4

**Reward me According to the Cleanliness of my Hands**

- Psalm 17:1-5; Psalm 7; Psalm 18:16-28; Psalm 101:1-4
- Purity of heart allows us to see clearly
- James 1:27 – Keep unstained

**Lest Ye Judge**

- Matthew 7:1-6
- Our duty is to maintain righteousness – not stand in position as judge
- 1 Samuel 24 (key in on verses 11-12)
- David removed himself from the situation as judge.
- It is not our position to repay eye for eye, tooth for tooth
- We cannot repay except for erring on the side of showing goodness/kindness. Free Elohim to slam the hammer down in judgment.

**Why do you Persecute Me? David and Messiah Yahushua (Jesus) in parallel**

- 1 Samuel 26:7-12, 17-18, 21-25
- David cried out to King Saul as Messiah cried out to Saul (Paul) – Why do you persecute me? (Acts 9:5)
- Saul was kicking against what he already knew would happen – God’s will for David to be king!
- David prevailed (his life was preserved) because he valued the life of those who were against him – As did Messiah for us
- 1 Samuel 24:24 - Our calling is to preserve life and allow Elohim to destroy those who ‘preserve death’
- 1 Samuel 24:9 – Unless under clear direction from the Spirit, we must not cut off/destroy people in our lives who have done some evil to us, because we may destroy the ‘end’ purpose God has for our ‘present’ enemy. We do not have the right to throw away people whom Elohim is not yet finished perfecting.

- To pass judgment on someone we think will ‘never change’ makes us out to be gods as if we were like the Most High – as though He is not capable of being a good judge of character.
- David maintained cleanness in the eyes of the Judge so as to allow Him to make the final verdict.
- Take your case to the Judge—when one is not willing to work things out with you
- James 2:13 – Mercy triumphs over judgment; doing good to those who use you/hate you
- Love covers a multitude of sins – Do not pick apart another or else it shall be done to you – Matthew 7
- 1 Samuel 26:12 – Sometimes Elohim will cause our enemy to sleep – the true test of humility and righteousness – shall we destroy life because we feel justified? He gives us opportunity to test what is really in our heart. Sometimes peace is the greatest test of all (when you ‘do not have to trust in times of war, what will your heart emit during times of peace?’)
- Colossians 2:15 – As David disarmed the enemy – Messiah disarmed the enemy. The lion can only roar at us – his teeth is removed – authority to destroy us is gone. A public event!
- 1 Samuel 24:12-15 – David said that the Judge will rightly rule him out of the hand of Saul
- It is Yahuweh (The Lord’s) judgment that delivers us from the hand of evil—Lead us not into being tempted beyond our ability to learn what you are trying to teach us, but deliver us from evil – judge that which seeks my destruction!

### **The Pursuit of David by Saul – Lessons in Spiritual Warfare**

- 1 Samuel 18:5, 9-15, 28-30
- Spiritual Warfare is the exercise of wisdom, for wisdom terrifies the enemy.
- Russ Dizdar spoke about Satanists who do not fear church game players, but assemblies who are full of the Spirit and have discernment. (they fear being found out)
- Use wisdom - know when to attack – Gideon’s army – ambush when the enemy sleeps (before he has a chance to work – defeat his agenda before it begins)
- David had 2 opportunities to defeat Saul (once awake and once asleep), but chose the wisdom of Elohim over the wisdom of the world. What would have happened to David’s throne had he destroyed Saul himself?
- The first time David removed the edge of Saul’s robe – the second time he removed his water jug and spear. Significance?

### **Exposing the Kingdom of Darkness (Robe)**

- In the cave, David removed the edge of King Saul’s robe/mantle of authority
- The edge (kanaph: wing, extremity) – the outer boundaries of his garment (covering) – for the king is the covering over his kingdom. For David to cut a piece off the outer edge was to prophetically cause a breach in the boundaries of the dark kingdom – exposing the darkness and vulnerability to light.
- Cut a slit in the wall of a heavy tent and the light will pierce the darkness and those bound will be set free!
- Malachi 4:2 – The ‘Sun’ of Righteousness will arise with healing in His wings – bringing restoration – He is the Repairer of the Breach
- As David/Messiah breached the darkness and lamed the power of it to hold people from seeing the light of another Kingdom – what was hidden to those who sat in darkness has now been pierced by the blood of the Lamb.

- When the kingdom of darkness is pierced it MUST acknowledge the existence of another King. Acts 17:6-7; 1 Samuel 24:20; Revelation 12:10 (Saul and his messengers accusations of David's 'conspiracy')
- John 14:30 - Through David's actions and Messiah's words – "Saul/Satan has nothing in me"
- The tearing away of the edge of the garment confirmed the words of Samuel in that the kingdom was to be torn away from Saul.
- Daniel 9:27 – What Saul decreed in that David should die was 'poured on himself' as it will be with Satan
- David exposed the darkness by removing the power of the enemy to operate under a cloak of evil – David made a public spectacle of Saul in front of all Saul's army. Deception is no longer hidden – light has come.
- Isaiah 14:10-16 – is this the man? Messiah had to go into hell (on location) to take captivity captive (changing location) – David went to Saul twice (on location).
- David prophetically removed his enemy's ability to protect his agenda and kingdom.
- Saul, like Satan, roamed like a lion, seeking David to devour him – 1 Peter 5:8
- Application – Increase discernment

### **Removing the Power to Survive (Water Jug)**

- Matthew 12:43 – The 2<sup>nd</sup> thing David removed from Saul was his water jug. Without water, an army is weakened and will eventually succumb to death.
- The spirits that are removed from the source of what gives it strength and power, are forced to go through the 'dry places' seeking rest.
- David prophetically removed the kingdom of darkness ability to survive - to continue in strength. He weakened the kingdom.
- Like grace, water gives us the ability to go on – to continue our actions and way of life
- In the sieges of Jerusalem, famine and the withholding of the means of survival would eventually cause the evil that brought the judgment to cease.
- David took Jerusalem – used the channel that held the water needed to survive. 2 Samuel 5:7-9 – David used what contained the enemy's source of survival to weaken him. David dwelt in the stronghold.
- Revelation 11:15, "And the seventh messenger sounded, and there came to be loud voices in the heaven, saying, "The reign of this world has become the reign of our Master, and of His Messiah, and He shall reign forever and ever!"
- Application – removing negativity

### **Removing the Power to do Harm (Spear)**

- Isaiah 17:54 and 2 Corinthians 10:4
- David removed/disarmed Saul by taking his spear that was by his head. Prophetically he "removed" the arrows (quenched) the fiery darts so that the power of evil could no longer penetrate or have effect. Ephesians 6 – David used the shield of faith.
- The power of the spear (tongue that creates piercing words) was removed as in Isaiah 17:54.
- Luke 10:19-20 – Like David, it is by our humility we prevail over darkness.
- Application – Armed with weapons of warfare – clothed with Messiah

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