



# A MAN AFTER GOD'S HEART

## God Uses Flawed People Who Love and Trust Him!

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**Acts 13** <sup>21</sup> "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. <sup>22</sup> "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.'** <sup>23</sup> **'From the descendants of this man, according to promise, God has brought to Israel a Savior, Jesus,** <sup>34</sup> "As for the fact that He raised Him up from the dead, no longer to return to decay, He has spoken in this way: **'I WILL GIVE YOU THE HOLY and SURE blessings OF DAVID.'** NASU

**Romans 5** <sup>17</sup> For if by the transgression of the one, death reigned through the one, much more **those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.** NASU

**1 Samuel 16** <sup>7</sup> But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for God sees not as man sees, for man looks at the outward appearance, but **the Lord looks at the heart.**" NASU

**2 Chronicles 16** <sup>9</sup> "For the eyes of the Lord move to and fro throughout the earth that He may strongly support those whose heart is completely His." NASU

**Psalms 51** <sup>1</sup> Be gracious to me, O God, according to Your lovingkindness; According to the greatness of Your compassion blot out my transgressions. <sup>2</sup> Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity And cleanse me from my sin. <sup>3</sup> For I know my transgressions, And my sin is ever before me. <sup>4</sup> Against You, You only, I have sinned And done what is evil in Your sight, So that You are justified when You speak and blameless when You judge. <sup>6</sup> Behold, You desire truth in the innermost being, And in the hidden part You will make me know wisdom. <sup>9</sup> Hide Your face from my sins And blot out all my iniquities. <sup>10</sup> **Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a steadfast spirit within me.** <sup>11</sup> Do not cast me away from Your presence And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me. <sup>12</sup> Restore to me the joy of Your salvation And sustain me with a willing spirit. <sup>16</sup> For You do not delight in sacrifice, otherwise I would give it; You are not pleased with burnt offering. <sup>17</sup> The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; A broken and a contrite heart, O God, You will not despise. NASU

**1 Samuel 30** <sup>1</sup> Then it happened when David and his men came to Ziklag on the third day, that the Amalekites had made a raid on the Negev and on Ziklag, and had overthrown Ziklag and burned it with fire; <sup>2</sup> and they took captive the women and all who were in it, both small and great, without killing anyone, and carried them off and went their way. <sup>3</sup> When David and his men came to the city, behold, it was burned with fire, and their wives and their sons and their daughters had been taken captive. <sup>4</sup> Then David and the people who were with him lifted their voices and wept until there was no strength in them to weep. <sup>6</sup> Moreover David was greatly distressed because the people spoke of stoning him, for all the people were embittered, each one because of his sons and his daughters. But David strengthened himself in the Lord his God. <sup>8</sup> **David inquired of the Lord, saying, "Shall I pursue this band? Shall I overtake them?" And He said to him, "Pursue, for you will surely overtake them, and you will surely rescue all."** <sup>9</sup> So David went, he and the six hundred men who were with him, and came to the brook Besor, where those left behind remained. <sup>10</sup> But David pursued, he and four hundred men, for two hundred who were too exhausted to cross the brook Besor remained behind. <sup>16</sup> When he had brought him down, behold, they were spread over all the land, eating and drinking and dancing because of all the great spoil that they had taken from the land of the Philistines and from the land of Judah. <sup>17</sup> David slaughtered them from the twilight until the evening of

the next day; and not a man of them escaped, except four hundred young men who rode on camels and fled. <sup>18</sup> So David recovered all that the Amalekites had taken, and rescued his two wives. <sup>19</sup> But nothing of theirs was missing, whether small or great, sons or daughters, spoil or anything that they had taken for themselves; David brought it all back. <sup>20</sup> So David had captured all the sheep and the cattle which the people drove ahead of the other livestock, and they said, "This is David's spoil."

**2 Chronicles 7** <sup>14</sup> and My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin and will heal their land. NASU

**Jeremiah 25** <sup>12</sup> 'Then it will be when seventy years are completed I will punish the king of Babylon and that nation,' declares the Lord, 'for their iniquity, and the land of the Chaldeans; and I will make it an everlasting desolation. NASU

**Jeremiah 29** <sup>10</sup> "For thus says the Lord, 'When seventy years have been completed for Babylon, I will visit you and fulfill My good word to you, to bring you back to this place. <sup>11</sup> 'For I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope. <sup>12</sup> 'Then you will call upon Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. <sup>13</sup> 'You will seek Me and find Me when you search for Me with all your heart. <sup>14</sup> 'I will be found by you,' declares the Lord, 'and I will restore your fortunes and will gather you from all the nations and from all the places where I have driven you,' declares the Lord, 'and I will bring you back to the place from where I sent you into exile.' NASU

**Ezra 1** <sup>1</sup> Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, in order to fulfill the word of the Lord by the mouth of Jeremiah, the Lord stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, so that he sent a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and also put it in writing, saying: <sup>2</sup> "Thus says Cyrus king of Persia, 'The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth and He has appointed me to build Him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. <sup>3</sup> 'Whoever there is among you of all His people, may his God be with him! Let him go up to Jerusalem which is in Judah and rebuild the house of the Lord, the God of Israel; He is the God who is in Jerusalem. <sup>4</sup> 'Every survivor, at whatever place he may live, let the men of that place support him with silver and gold, with goods and cattle, together with a freewill offering for the house of God which is in Jerusalem.'" <sup>5</sup> Then the heads of fathers' households of Judah and Benjamin and the priests and the Levites arose, even everyone whose spirit God had stirred to go up and rebuild the house of the Lord which is in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup> All those about them encouraged them with articles of silver, with gold, with goods, with cattle and with valuables, aside from all that was given as a freewill offering. <sup>7</sup> Also King Cyrus brought out the articles of the house of the Lord, which Nebuchadnezzar had carried away from Jerusalem and put in the house of his gods; <sup>8</sup> and Cyrus, king of Persia, had them brought out by the hand of Mithredath the treasurer, and he counted them out to Sheshbazzar, the prince of Judah. NASU

**Ezra 5** <sup>13</sup> 'However, in the first year of Cyrus king of Babylon, King Cyrus issued a decree to rebuild this house of God. NASU

**Isaiah 44** <sup>28</sup> "It is I who says of Cyrus, 'He is My shepherd! And he will perform all My desire.' And he declares of Jerusalem, 'She will be built,' And of the temple, 'Your foundation will be laid.'" NASU

**Isaiah 45** <sup>1</sup> Thus says the Lord to Cyrus His anointed, Whom I have taken by the right hand, To subdue nations before him And to loose the loins of kings; To open doors before him so that gates will not be shut: <sup>2</sup> "I will go before you and make the rough places smooth; I will shatter the doors of bronze and cut through their iron bars. <sup>3</sup> "I will give you the treasures of darkness And hidden wealth of secret places, So that you may know that it is I, The Lord, the God of Israel, who calls you by your name. <sup>4</sup> "For the sake of Jacob My servant, And Israel My chosen one, I have also called you by your name; I have given you a title of honor Though you have not known Me. NASU