

The Life of King David (4): David's Longing for a Dwelling Place for God.

I. The Greatest End-Time Conflict: The Movements of Worship

A. AntiChrist's Worship and Prayer Movement

⁸ All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast—all whose names have not been written in the Lamb's book of life, the Lamb who was slain from the creation of the world. ¹⁴ Because of the signs it was given power to perform on behalf of the first beast, it deceived the inhabitants of the earth. It ordered them to set up an image in honor of the beast who was wounded by the sword and yet lived. ¹⁵ The second beast was given power to give breath to the image of the first beast, so that the image could speak and cause all who refused to worship the image to be killed. ¹⁶ It also forced all people, great and small, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hands or on their foreheads (Revelations 13: 8, 14-16)

B. Holy Spirit Leading Worship and Prayer Movement

¹⁷ The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let the one who hears say, "Come!" Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life. (Revelations 22:17)

¹⁰ Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise from the ends of the earth, you who go down to the sea, and all that is in it, you islands, and all who live in them. ¹¹ Let the wilderness and its towns raise their voices; let the settlements where Kedar lives rejoice. Let the people of Sela sing for joy; let them shout from the mountaintops. ¹² Let them give glory to the Lord and proclaim his praise in the islands. ¹³ The Lord will march out like a champion, like a warrior he will stir up his zeal; with a shout he will raise the battle cry and will triumph over his enemies. (Isaiah 42:10-13)

C. Holy Spirit Leading Worship and Prayer Movement

¹⁵ But now bring me a harpist." While the harpist was playing, the hand of the Lord came on Elisha. (2 Kings 3:15)

¹⁵ Saul's attendants said to him, "See, an evil spirit from God is tormenting you. ¹⁶ Let our lord command his servants here to search for someone who can play the lyre. He will play when the evil spirit from God comes on you, and you will feel better." ¹⁸ One of the servants answered, "I have seen a son of Jesse of Bethlehem who knows how to play the lyre. He is a brave man and a warrior. He speaks well and is a fine-looking man. And the Lord is with him." (1 Samuel 16:15-16, 18)

D. God has Chosen to Rebuild the Tabernacle of David

"After this I will return and rebuild David's fallen tent. Its ruins I will rebuild, and I will restore it, 17 that the rest of mankind may seek the Lord, even all the Gentiles who bear my name, says the Lord, who does these things' (Acts 15:16-17)

II. David: Clever Foreman

¹⁰ By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as a wise builder, and someone else is building on it. But each one should build with care. (I Corinthians 3:10)

¹⁴ In everything he did he had great success, because the Lord was with him. ¹⁵ When Saul saw how successful he was, he was afraid of him. (I Samuel 18:14-15)

III. David's Determination: To Have a Wholehearted Heart

2 I will be careful to lead a blameless life— when will you come to me? I will conduct the affairs of my house with a blameless heart. 3 I will not look with approval on anything that is vile. I hate what faithless people do; I will have no part in it. 6 My eyes will be on the faithful in the land, that they may dwell with me; the one whose walk is blameless will minister to me. (Psalm 101: 2-3, 6)

IV. David's Determination: To Seek a Dwelling Place for God

Lord, remember David and all his self-denial. 3 “I will not enter my house or go to my bed, 4 I will allow no sleep to my eyes or slumber to my eyelids, 5 till I find a place for the Lord, a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob.” 6 We heard it in Ephrathah, we came upon it in the fields of Jaar:[a] 7 “Let us go to his dwelling place, let us worship at his footstool, saying, 8 ‘Arise, Lord, and come to your resting place, you and the ark of your might. (Psalm 132:3-8)

Action Plan

Start to Change! The son of Jesse (David), is good at playing the harp. He is a brave warrior, a good speaker, handsome in appearance, and the Spirit of the Lord is upon him. What are some attributes that David has in which you also long to have? Plan out an action plan so that you may start seeing these attributes in you. (Ex. To worship God wholeheartedly: every week practice the piano for one hour and to worship God with all your heart during every worship session)

Discussion

1. During the End-times there will be two worship and prayer movement, which two are they?
2. What kind of song do you like to listen to? Why do you like this type of song? What are some things that will move you to excitedly scream, cry out, or even faint?
3. How can you participate during the End-time worship and prayer movement? (Prayer, singing, playing an instrument, offering, loving God, ministering, etc...)
4. God does not want our performances but for our body to be His dwelling place. Do you think you can rebuild the David's Tabernacle in your life? How you started changing some of your bad habits? Have you started cultivating your love to God? Please share how you have changed and how has this change changed your life.
5. Since the End is coming, what are some things in life that you can start letting go? What are some things that you want to accomplish?