

## The Life of King David (5): Building God's Resting Place

### I. God's Desire: Finding a Resting Place

<sup>1</sup>This is what the LORD says: “Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool. Where is the house you will build for me? Where will my resting place be? <sup>2</sup>Has not my hand made all these things, and so they came into being?” declares the LORD. “These are the ones I look on with favor: those who are humble and contrite in spirit, and who tremble at my word.” (Isaiah 66:1-2)

### II. David: A Wise Builder

<sup>10</sup>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. (1 Corinthians 3:10)

<sup>14</sup>In everything he did he had great success, because the LORD was with him. <sup>15</sup>When Saul saw how successful he was, he was afraid of him. (1 Samuel 18:14-15)

- David's great success stems from his knowing how to draw God's presence.

### III. David's Resolution: Wholeheartedness

<sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>I will not look with approval on anything that is vile. I hate what faithless people do; I will have no part in it...<sup>6</sup>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. Balaam's Scheme (Numbers 22-25)

<sup>14</sup>Nevertheless, I have a few things against you: There are some among you who hold to the teaching of Balaam, who taught Balak to entice the Israelites to sin so that they ate food sacrificed to idols and committed sexual immorality. (Revelations 2:14)

<sup>2</sup>for true and just are his judgments. He has condemned the great prostitute who corrupted the earth by her adulteries. He has avenged on her the blood of his servants. (Revelations 19:2)

- Satan's primary scheme toward the end-time church is to send his dark forces into the church so we become God's enemies.

### V. Warfare Against Sin: Flee from Lust

<sup>27</sup>“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ <sup>28</sup>But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. <sup>29</sup>If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. <sup>30</sup>And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell. (Matthew 5:27-30)

<sup>18</sup>Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually, sins against their own body. (1 Corinthians 6:18)

<sup>1</sup>I made a covenant with my eyes not to look lustfully at a young woman. (Job 31:1)

<sup>11</sup>Dear friends, I urge you, as foreigners and exiles, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul. (1 Peter 2:11)

- Lust:

Honor/Attention  
Food (ie: wine, gourmet, drugs)  
Sexual lust  
Money  
Mind (ie: hatred, negative thoughts)

## VI. Pursue Complete Obedience

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. (Psalm 101:2)

– Sermon on the Mount:

Giving  
Blessing the enemy  
Serving  
Fasting  
Praying

## VII. The LORD's Generation

<sup>3</sup>Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD? Who may stand in his holy place? <sup>4</sup>The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god. <sup>5</sup>They will receive blessing from the LORD and vindication from God their Savior. <sup>6</sup>Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, God of Jacob.

### Action Plan:

1. QT Psalm 101
2. Think about what are some inner life teachings you would like to learn and listen to? How would you start and plan to raise your standard and learn to align with God's word?
3. Start to confront your lusts this week and share your progress during this week's small group meeting.

### Discussion Questions:

1. In this season, what are some things you can do to please God? When you started living for God's pleasure, did you start to experience God's favor?
2. Share some methods you have used to confront and overcome lust, also share the progress and reflections of your application.  
Lust: honor/attention, food (ie: alcohol, drugs, etc), sexual lust, money, mind (ie: bitterness and negative thoughts)
3. On pursuing complete obedience, in what area are you willing to practice and live out God's word? Share what you have received during application.  
Sermon on the Mount: giving, blessing the enemy, serving, fasting, praying.