**Life of David**

Bellevue Sunday morning series

Summer 2021

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| Date | Speaker | Passage |  |  |
| June 27 | Jim Crooks | **1Sam.16:1-13** | *The youngest and forgotten son* | David was God’s choice. However, although already anointed as king, like Joseph, there would be a substantial gap between promise and fulfilment |
| July 4 | David Knowles | **1Sam.17** | *David’s courage* | Tim Keller suggests two pictures of courage here: one that comes from relying on all things human, the other coming from a wholehearted confidence in God |
| 11 | David Knowles | **1Sam.20** | *David’s friendship with Jonathan* | There is something unique and unexpected in this relationship between the heir to the throne the anointed future king |
| 18 | Alex Warren | **1Sam.24** | *David’s temptation in the dessert* | After all Saul has done to David, this is David’s opportunity to grasp the throne for himself. |
| 25 | Alex Warren | **2Sam.6** | *David’s love for God* | David brings back the Ark to Jerusalem and worships |
| August 1 | David Knowles | **2Sam.11** | *David’s sin* | Sadly, after David’s rise (1Sam.16-2Sam.10) follows David’s failures (2Sam.11-20). When before David was an eager holy warrior, here he remains in the palace. When he once protected Saul’s life, he now plots Uriah’s death. From being decisive he becomes indecisive. And the consequences will be felt long after through his children Amnon, and Absalom. Even ending in David’s sinful fearfully taken census. |
| 8 | Alistair Chalmers | **2Sam.22** | *David’s song of deliverance* | Near the end of David’s life, he points us once again to God the true rock of our salvation. A salvation which would be brought through great David’s greater Son, Jesus Christ |

Studying the life of anyone in the Bible can be a rewarding exercise. The life can be an example to follow or one to miss. The life can be a reminder of our own brokenness or a pointer to Christ. Such is the life of David. The man after God’s own heart rose from obscurity to become Israel’s greatest king. However, the sin he allowed in his life had great consequences, effecting his family, his reign, even his confidence in God. Although we can’t cover every significant incident in David’s life, the hope is that what we will look at will deepen our understanding of grace and faith as well as point us to Christ, great David’s greater Son.