

Introduction: Why David's Story Still Matters

- David's life is a model for us (Isaiah 55:3–4).
- Though he lived before the cross, his life points to Jesus and the church.
- We now live after the cross, with greater access: forgiveness, the Holy Spirit, and the full Bible (Hebrews 11:39–40).
- Central question: *What do David's mighty men teach us about our role as Christians today?*

Point 1: Broken People Become Mighty Warriors

- **Cave of Adullam** (1 Samuel 22:1–2):
 - David gathered 400 broken men (in debt, distressed, discontented).
 - These became his “mighty men” (2 Samuel 23).
- **Church Parallel:**
 - Jesus gathers the broken and transforms them into strong, faithful servants.

Point 2: Unity and Anointing Bring Power (Psalm 133)

- Unity is good, pleasant, and powerful.
- Anointing flows from the head (Jesus) down to the body (the church).
- **God's blessing is commanded** where believers dwell in unity and purpose.
- Leadership, teamwork, and spiritual covering are part of God's design

Point 3: Jesus Has Won, and We Enforce the Victory (Psalm 110)

- Jesus is seated at God's right hand, but enemies are still being subdued.
- His scepter (authority) extends from Zion—through us, His church.
- **Our role:**
 - Willing volunteers (Psalm 110:3), clothed in holiness, empowered by grace.
 - Like dew at dawn, we are called to shine for Him (Proverbs 4:18).

Conclusion & Life Applications

- Get **yoked with Christ** and His people (Matthew 11:28–30).
- Unity brings reward and impact (Matthew 10:40–42).
- **Join the mission:** become one of Jesus's mighty men, extending His kingdom with others.

Questions

1. What does it mean to you personally that God can turn broken people into mighty warriors, like David's men?
2. What does unity in the church look like in real life, and why do you think it brings God's blessing?
3. In what small way can you be a “willing troop” this week?

Scriptures Quoted in this talk:

1 John 3:8 - "...For This Purpose The Son Of God Was Manifested, That He Might Destroy The Works Of The Devil."

John 12:31, Colossians 2:15 - Jesus defeated and disarmed the Devil. And yet...

1Jo 5:19 - "We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies under the sway of the wicked one."

Numbers 22-24 & Num 23:20 - 21 - Balaam tried to curse Israel but could not because they were blessed. That is how we are when we are in His unity with brethren.

Revelation 2:1 - There are Church leaders under Jesus.

Exodus 3:13 - God gives Moses His name - YHWH

Mark 16:19 - Jesus is seated at God's right hand

Colossians 2:15 - Jesus disarmed the devil

Romans 6:6, 2 Timothy 1:10 - Jesus defeated death and sin

John 19:30 - Jesus said "It is Finished" - His sacrifice was sufficient.

Mat 24:14 - "And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come."

1 Peter 5:8 - "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour."

Revelation 12:12 - "Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time.""

Hebrews 10:39 - "But we are not of those who draw back to perdition, but of those who believe to the saving of the soul."

2 Corinthians 5:21, Isaiah 61:3, 2 Timothy 1:7 - Jesus has provided us with everything we need to be His "troops"

Proverbs 4:18 - "But the path of the just is like the shining sun, That shines ever brighter unto the perfect day."

1Cor 12:28 - "And God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, varieties of tongues."

Matthew 11:28-30 - "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

Philippians 4:2-3 - "I implore Euodia and I implore Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. 3 And I urge you also, true companion ("yokefellow"), help these women who labored with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the Book of Life."

Matthew 10:40-42 - "He who receives you receives Me, and he who receives Me receives Him who sent Me. 41 "He who receives a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward. And he who receives a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward. 42 "And whoever gives one of these little ones only a cup of cold water in the name of a disciple, assuredly, I say to you, he shall by no means lose his reward."