# David's Troops



#### 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):
  - o David gathered 400 broken men (in debt, distressed, discontented).
  - o 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?