



David

The greatest measure of a person's maturity

The greatest measure of a person's maturity is how we handle authority, power and influence.

When they arrived, Samuel saw Eliab and he thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed stands here before the Lord."

But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at.

People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."

1 Samuel 16:6-7

So he asked Jesse, "Are these all the sons you have?"

"There is still the youngest," Jesse answered. "He is tending the sheep." Samuel said, "Send for him; we will not sit down until he arrives."

1 Samuel 16:11 FairfaxCircleChurch.org

...Then the Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; this is the one."

1 Samuel 16:12

It's not about me.

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It's God's will, in God's way, in God's time

The men said, "This is the day the Lord spoke of when he said to you, 'I will give your enemy into your hands for you to deal with as you wish."" 1 Samuel 24:4

"May the Lord judge between you and me. And may the Lord avenge the wrongs you have done to me, but my hand will not touch you." 1 Samuel 24:12

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So David and Abishai went to the army by night, and there was Saul, lying asleep inside the camp with his spear stuck in the ground near his head.

Abner and the soldiers were lying around him. Abishai said to David, "Today God has delivered your enemy into your hands.

Now let me pin him to the ground with one thrust of the spear; I won't strike him twice."

But David said to Abishai, "Don't destroy him! Who can lay a hand on the Lord's anointed and be guiltless?

1 Samuel 26:7-9

"You're a man, aren't you? And who is like you in Israel? Why didn't you guard your lord the king? Someone came to destroy your lord the king.

What you have done is not good. As surely as the Lord lives, you and your men must die, because you did not guard your master, the Lord's anointed.

Look around you. Where are the king's spear and water jug that were near his head?"

1 Samuel 26:15-16

It's God will, in God's way, in God's time.

They brought the head of Ish-Bosheth to David at Hebron and said to the king, "Here is the head of Ish-Bosheth son of Saul, your enemy, who tried to kill you.

David answered Rekab and his brother Baanah... "As surely as the Lord lives, who has delivered me out of every trouble,

when someone told me, 'Saul is dead,' and thought he was bringing good news, I seized him and put him to death in Ziklag. That was the reward I gave him for his news!

How much more—when wicked men have killed an innocent man in his own house and on his own bed-should I not now demand his blood from your hand and rid the earth of you!" FairfaxCircleChurch.org

So David gave an order to his men, and they killed them. They cut off their hands and feet and hung the bodies by the pool in Hebron.

But they took the head of Ish-Bosheth and buried it in Abner's tomb at Hebron.

2 Samuel 4:8-12

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, "We are your own flesh and blood. In the past, while Saul was king over us, you were the one who led Israel on their military campaigns. FairfaxCircleChurch.org

And the Lord said to you, 'You will shepherd my people Israel, and you will become their ruler."

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I am a King, I am not THE King.

When all the elders of Israel had come to King David at Hebron, the king made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord and they anointed David king over Israel.

David was thirty years old when he became king, and he reigned forty years.

2 Samuel 5:1-4

It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father.



Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God;



so he got up...

John 13:4

so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist.

John 13:4

After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.



Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet.



I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.

John 13:15

Look for more feet to wash.

When you're the most powerful person in the room, leverage your power for the benefit of the other people in the room. FairfaxCircleChurch.org

