

Great Differences: Revision of Lessons on David

This week – David’s confidence that The Lord Jesus Christ would come to be his Saviour.

“Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.” Psalm 23v6.

Bible Readings for this week:

(Choose a regular time each day to read the bible and pray whether it be when you first wake up or just before you go to sleep)

Day	Bible Reading	Tick When Read
Sunday	Psalm 2 (David looks to Christ Who rules from Zion)	
Monday	Psalm 132 (The Lord has chosen Zion for His habitation)	
Tuesday	Psalm 110 (The Lord Jesus will rule from Zion (Heaven))	
Wednesday	Romans 1v1-15 (Paul preached Christ the Seed of David)	
Thursday	Romans 1v16-32 (The Just shall live by Faith in Christ)	
Friday	Acts 2v22-36 (Peter speaks of David’s faith in Christ)	
Saturday	Psalm 72 (David’s last prayer to his everlasting God)	

Important Thought for us Today: The Bible, God’s Word, is like no other book. David was a prophet as well as a King. Under the inspiration (influence and guidance) of The Holy Spirit, he wrote many Psalms. Some of these were Messianic Psalms, (pointing to the Lord Jesus Christ Who would come to earth 1,000 years later and predicting in exact detail what would happen to Him when He came). God had promised David that One would be born into his family Who would be the promised Messiah, and David looked ahead to Christ as his Saviour and Lord.

Take time to study **Psalm 2 (Christ is God, The Messiah will be in David’s family line)**, **Psalm 8 (Christ was the Lord of Creation)**, **Psalm 16 (Christ’s Resurrection)**, **Psalms 22, 69 (Christ’s Suffering)**, **Psalms 45,72,89 (Christ’s Glorious, Eternal Reign)**, **Psalm 110 (Christ as Eternal King and Priest)**, **Psalm 118 (Christ would come in the Name of The Lord, but be rejected by the Jews)**, **Psalm 41 (Christ would be betrayed)**, and **Psalm 132 (Christ, Eternal Inheritor of David’s Throne)**. These prophecies all came to pass when The Lord Jesus Christ came to earth 1,000 years later as recorded in the Gospels in The New Testament.

This should challenge us to accept the Bible as God’s Word and respond, as David did, to God’s gracious call to repentance and faith in The Lord Jesus Christ.

Hymn 23 v5, Based on Psalm 23 - David knew the LORD was The Good Shepherd of his soul.

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| 1. The Lord my Shepherd is,
I shall be well supplied;
Since He is mine, and I am His,
What can I want beside? | 2. He leads me to the place
Where Heavenly pasture grows,
Where living waters gently pass,
And full salvation flows. |
| 4. While He affords His aid,
I cannot yield to fear;
Though I should walk through death’s dark shade,
My Shepherd will be there. | 6. The bounties of Thy love
Shall crown my following days;
Nor from Thy house will I remove,
Nor cease to speak Thy praise. |

EDT Bible/College Class Take Home Sheet

This sheet is given to remind you of the lesson and to encourage you to read your Bible.

The Lord Jesus Christ: David’s Greater Son.

The Old Testament’s great theme is the coming of the Saviour and has many wonderful pictures which point to His person and work - Noah’s Ark, the Exodus.

God Sovereignly ordered David’s life so as to be a *Type of Christ*. (like Moses, Joseph). **However, we must remember 4 differences – Christ, as God**

The Son knew all things, was perfect, was eternal and had Divine Power.

The promised Saviour would come through the lineage of David (**2 Samuel 7.12&16, Romans 1.3**) and Christ is called ‘**Son of David**’ 17 times in the New Testament – **in recognition that He is the OT Promised Messiah.**

David and The Lord Jesus were both: -

1. Anointed (chosen) to be King, by God.

- Both David and Christ did not become King until after they were anointed. (**2 Samuel 2.4, Ephesians 1.4**).
- David would later become King of Jerusalem, the capital city of Judah.
- Christ, the King of Kings, would become King of a *Spiritual* Jerusalem, Zion, and reign in the hearts of all those who trust in Him as Saviour.

2. Despised and Scorned by the People, yet Humble.

- David was chosen over his older brothers – he was just a young shepherd boy, but the Lord looked at his heart and found faith there. (**1 Samuel 16.7**).
- The Lord Jesus Christ was despised and rejected of men, “**a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief**” (Isaiah 53.3) and was hated by those He came to save – Herod, Pilate, the religious leaders, and the local Jewish people.

3. Fought Many Enemies.

- David fought Goliath the Philistine and knew victory by trusting in the Lord (**1 Samuel 17.37**). He was hated by King Saul who tried to kill him several times and was even betrayed by his own rebellious son, Absalom.
- The Lord Jesus Christ was tempted by Satan in the wilderness (**Matthew 4**) and victoriously answered every threat with the Word of God.

The Sovereign God protected the lives of David and The Lord Jesus until it was time for David to become King, and for Jesus to go to the Cross to accomplish His saving work.

We learn of our Saviour’s humility, and great love for His people, to come to this sinful world to suffer on the cross for lost sinners – all who would repent and believe.

Are you in His Kingdom? He calls you to Himself, to repent and have faith in Him as your Saviour and Lord. To know a new life of joy in Him. **Why would you reject such love?**

Peter preached on The Day of Pentecost, “David knew that God would raise up Christ to sit on his throne; ... seeing this before thus speaking of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell”. Acts 2v29-31.