♦SERMON NOTES **♦**

Sunday, July 3, 2011

"LEADERSHIP: AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART"

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The call goes out in our nation for leaders in our government, our communities, and our families. The needs seem to be ever-growing and the leaders seem to be few and far between. Today we look at the characteristics of godly leadership. Our example is David.

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"The Lord is my Shepherd. I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside quiet waters. He restores my soul; He guides me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil for Thou art with me; Thy road and Thy staff, they comfort me. Thou dost prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; Thou has anointed my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and loving kindness will follow me all the days of my life. And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever" (Psalm 23:1-6, NIV).

1. DAVID WAS A WARRIOR.

"And he became more and more powerful, because the LORD God Almighty was with him" (2 Samuel 5:10, NIV).

"So David inquired of the LORD, 'Shall I go and attack the Philistines? Will you hand them over to me?' The LORD answered him, 'Go, for I will surely hand the Philistines over to you'" (2 Samuel 5:19, NIV).

2. DAVID WAS A <u>PSALMIST</u>.

3. DAVID WAS A KING.

"Then King David went in and sat before the LORD, and he said: 'Who am I, O Sovereign LORD, and what is my family, that you have brought me this far?'" (2 Samuel 7:18, NIV).

4. DAVID WAS AN ENEMY.

"Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you" (Matthew 5:44, NIV).

5. DAVID WAS A SINNER.

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6. DAVID WAS A SAINT.

"Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight David was deeply spiritual and he called on God often and God answered clearly" (Psalm 51;1-4, NIV).

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