David's Story Bridging

God's main work in David is to make him a man who is:

a. Becoming God-centered: 2 Samuel 22-23
b. Becoming people-centered: 1 Chronicles 28-29

David's anchor

2 Samuel 22:2 He said, "The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer,

³ <u>my God</u>, my rock, <u>in whom I take refuge</u>, <u>my shield</u> and the horn of my salvation, <u>my stronghold</u> and <u>my refuge</u>, <u>my savior</u>; thou savest me from violence.

David's deliverer

⁵ "For the waves of death encompassed me, the torrents of perdition assailed me; the cords of Sheol entangled me, the snares of death confronted me.

God's response

⁷ "In my distress I called upon the LORD: to my God I called. From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry came to his ears.

⁸ "Then the earth reeled and rocked; the foundations of the heavens trembled and quaked, because he was angry.

⁹ Smoke went up from his nostrils, and devouring fire from his mouth; glowing coals flamed forth from him.

 ¹² He made darkness around him his canopy, thick clouds, a gathering of water.
 ¹⁴ The LORD thundered from heaven, and the Most High uttered his voice.

²⁰ He brought me forth into a broad place; he delivered me, because he delighted in me.

God's covenant promises ²¹ "The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness; according to the cleanness of my hands he recompensed me.

The Nature of God's dealings with people ²⁶ "With the loyal thou dost show thyself loyal; with the blameless man thou dost show thyself blameless;

²⁷ with the pure thou dost show thyself pure, and with the crooked thou dost show thyself perverse.

²⁸ Thou dost deliver a humble people, but thy eyes are upon the haughty to bring them down.

Stability of God's word

³¹ This God - his way is perfect; the promise of the LORD proves true; he is a shield for all who take refuge in him.

God, David's strength

³⁶ Thou hast given me the shield of thy salvation, and thy help made me great.

³⁷ Thou didst give a wide place for my steps under me, and my feet did not slip;

Praise to God

⁴⁷ "The LORD lives; and blessed be my rock, and exalted be my God, the rock of my salvation,

⁵¹ Great triumphs he gives to his king, and shows steadfast love to his anointed, to David, and his descendants forever." Advancing Gods Kingdom Through People 1 Chronicles 28:2 Then King David rose to his feet and said: "Hear me, my brethren and my people. I had it in my heart to build a house of rest for the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and for the footstool of our God; and I made preparations for building. ³ But God said to me, 'You may not build a house for my name, for you are a warrior and have shed blood.'

⁴ Yet the LORD God of Israel chose me from all my father's house to be king over Israel for ever;

for he chose Judah as leader, and in the house of Judah my father's house, and among my father's sons he took pleasure in me to make me king over all Israel. ⁶ He said to me, `It is Solomon your son who shall build my house and my courts, for I have chosen him to be my son, and I will be his father. ⁷ I will establish his kingdom for ever if he continues resolute in keeping my commandments and my ordinances, as he is today.'

Advice to Solomon

⁹ "And you, Solomon my son, know the God of your father, and serve him with a whole heart and with a willing mind; for the LORD searches all hearts, and understands every plan and thought. If you seek him, he will be found by you; but if you forsake him, he will cast you off for ever.

²⁰ Then David said to Solomon his son, "Be strong and of good courage, and do it. Fear not, be not dismayed;

for the LORD God, even my God, is with you. He will not fail you or forsake you, until all the work for the service of the house of the LORD is finished.

David's generosity

1 Chronicles 29:2 I have provided for the house of my God, so far as I was able, the gold for the things of gold, the silver for the things of silver, and the bronze for the things of bronze, the iron for the things of iron, and wood for the things of wood, ...great quantities of onyx and stones for setting, antimony, colored stones, all sorts of precious stones, and marble. ⁶ Then the heads of fathers' houses made their freewill offerings, as did the leaders of the tribes, the commanders of thousands and hundreds, and the officers over the king's work.

⁹ Then the people rejoiced because these had given willingly, for with a whole heart they had offered freely to the LORD;

David's prayer

¹⁴ "But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from thee, and of thy own have we given thee. ¹⁵ For we are strangers before thee, and sojourners, as all our fathers were; our days on the earth are like a shadow, and there is no abiding. ¹⁸ O LORD, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, our fathers, keep for ever such purposes and thoughts in the hearts of thy people, and direct their hearts toward thee.

David's leadership ²¹...offerings, and sacrifices in abundance for all Israel;

²² and they ate and drank before the LORD on that day with great gladness. And they made Solomon the son of David king the second time, and they anointed him as prince for the LORD, and Zadok as priest.

²³ Then Solomon sat on the throne of the LORD as king instead of David his father; and he prospered, and all Israel obeyed him.

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