

INTRODUCTION: FAITH, HOPE & LOVE (1Sam.30-2Sam.2; see 1Cor.13:13; 1Thes.1:3; 5:8; see 1Tm.4:12; see Rom.5:1-4; Gal.5:2-5; Eph.4:2-5; 1Tm.4:10-12; Heb.6:10-12; 10:22-24; 1Pt.1:21,22)

I. DAVID'S FAITH: STRENGTHENED HIMSELF IN THE LORD (see 1Sam.30:6)

A. ALL ALONE (1Sam.30:6,1f; see Ps.22:11; 25:16; 72:12; 102:6,7; 142:4; see 1 Sam.18:10,etc.; 24:14; 26:20)

B. STRENGTHENED HIMSELF IN THE LORD HIS GOD (1Sam.30:6; see Rom.4:19f)

1. *the Lord His God* (see Ex.6:7; Rom.11:16; see 2Sam.7:8f; 22:3,7,22,30; Ps.22:1f)

2. *strengthened Himself in* (see Ps.18:1,32; 68:35; see Phil.4:13; Rom.6:3f)

C. INQUIRED OF THE LORD (1Sam.30:6&7f with 23:2,4; 2Sam.2:1; 5:19,23; 12:16; also Ps.119:28 with Rom.4:19f; 1Cor.1:18; 2Tm.3:17; Heb.1:3; also Ps.50:14,15; 54:7; 1Cor.10:16; 11:24; also 1Sam.23:16 with 18:1f; 19:1f; 20:1f; sum: Acts 2:42; yet Heb.4:2)

D. IMITATE DAVID'S FAITH! (1Sam.30:6; Rom.4:19f; see Heb.11:32; 13:7)

II. DAVID'S HOPE: PATIENTLY WAITED FOR HIS INSTALLATION (2Sam.2:4; 5:3f)

A. ORDAINED EARLY ON (1Sam.16:13; see 2Sam.5:4)

B. CLEAR CONFIRMATIONS (1Sam.16:18; 17:37f,45f; 18:5,12,14,28; 2Sam.5:10)

C. APPARENT CONTRADICTIONS (1Sam.18:10f; see c.18-31)

D. TIMELY ASSURANCES (1Sam.18:4; 20:13f; 23:16,17; 24:20; 25:28,30; 26:25)

E. JEALOUS FOR WHAT WAS NOT YET HIS (1Sam.24:6,10; 26:9,11; 16;23; 2Sam.1:14,16)

F. IMITATE DAVID'S HOPE! (see Ps.42:5,11; 43:5; 62:5; 146:5; Rom.15:4,13; see Ps.37:7,9,34; 130:5)

III. DAVID'S LOVE: RECEIVED & GIVEN IN BROTHERHOOD (see 2Sam.1:17-27)

A. UNCONDITIONAL: OBJECT OF COVENANT (1Sam.18:3,1; 20:16,17;8;42; 23:18; see Ex.6:7; 1Jn.4:19)

B. COMPLETE: AS HIMSELF (1Sam.18:1,3; 20:17; see Lev.19:18,34; Mt.19:19; 22:39; Rom.13:9; Gal.5:14(22); Jms.2:8; see Eph.5:2f,33)

C. SELF-DENYING: A LOYAL SUBJECT (1Sam.18:4; 23:17; see Lk.9:23; Rom.12:10)

D. UNFAILING: ALWAYS THERE (1Sam.18:1f; 19:1f; 20:1f; 24:16f; see Phil.2:3,4f)

E. SUMMARY: MORE WONDERFUL (2Sam.1:26; see A-C above!; see Jer.31:3; Mal.1:2; Jn.15:9,12; 17:23; Rev.3:9; see 1Jn.4:19)

F. RECIPROCATED: POETIC EULOGY (2Sam.1:17f; see 19,25(26),27; also Ps.18:1f(2Sam.22:1f); see 1Jn.4:19; Mt.22:27,29)

G. IMITATE DAVID'S LOVE! (2Sam.1:17-26; see 1Jn.4:19; Mt.22:37-39; Jn.13:34; Rom.12:10; 13:8; see Lk.6:27f,35 with 1Sam.24:17; 26:21)