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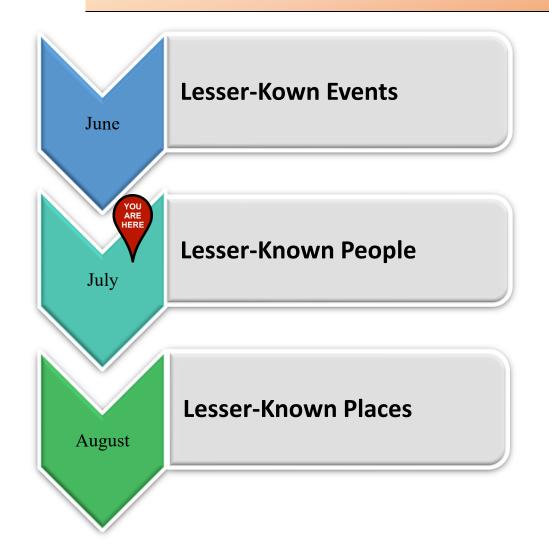
Welcome to Church

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Days Of Elijah

These are the days of Elijah Declaring the word of the Lord, yeah

And these are the days of Your servant, Moses

Righteousness being restored

These are the days of great trials
Of famine and darkness and
sword

Still we are the voice in the desert crying

Prepare ye the way of the Lord!

Behold He comes, riding on the clouds

Shining like the sun, at the trumpet's call
Lift your voice, (it's) the year of
Jubilee
Out of Zion's hill, salvation comes

And these are the days of Ezekiel
The dry bones becoming as flesh
And these are the days of Your
servant, David
Rebuilding the temple of praise

And these are the days of the harvest
The fields are all white in the world
And we are the laborers that are

in Your vineyard

Declaring the Word of the Lord

Behold He comes, riding on the clouds
Shining like the sun at the trumpet's call
Lift your voice, (it's) the year of
Jubilee
Out of Zion's hill, salvation comes

There's no God like Jehovah! (Repeat) Behold He comes, riding on the clouds
Shining like the sun at the trumpet's call
Lift your voice, (it's) the year of
Jubilee
Out of Zion's hill, salvation comes

Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my Saviour
Lord there is none like You
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love

My comfort, my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath, all that I am
Never cease to worship You

Chorus:

Shout to the Lord all the Earth, let us sing

Power and majesty, praise to the King

Mountains bow down and the seas will roar

At the sound of Your name
I sing for joy at the work of Your
hands

Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand

Nothing compares to the promise I have

In You

Speak O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You To receive the food of Your Holy Word. Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fashion us in Your likeness, That the light of Christ might be seen today In our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us All Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.

Words of pow'r that can never fail— Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

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The New and the Old Prophets

How strong are we in our own relationship with God? **Distinctions**

David's Mighty Men

God has always had a band of sincere believers, but they have not all been highlighted in their journeys.

13th July

Melchisedec

Melchisedec has been seen as a type of Jesus Christ; but do we now if he actually existed?

20th July

Ebed-Melec

An unsuspected helper in a most considerate way.

27th July

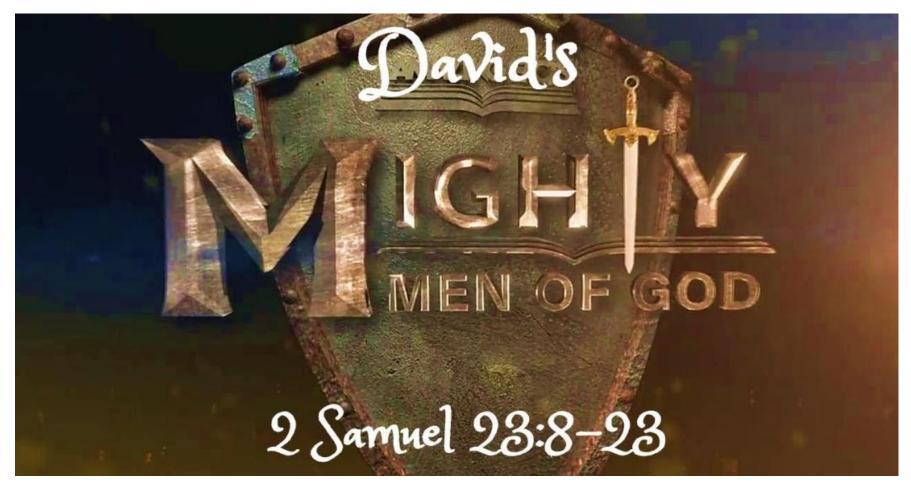
The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.

Give us day by day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

Luke 11: 2-4



Who were they?

How did they help David?

What can we learn from them today?

David's Mighty Men – Who were they?

- David's "mighty men" were his elite fighting force
- 37 warriors often known as **the Three** and **the Thirty**. Really 3 groups of men, the 'three mighties', another group of 2 or 3 of men not quite so mighty and the remaining group of 31 or 32.
- The exploits of some of these warriors are recorded in 2 Samuel 23:8–39 and 1 Chronicles 11:10–47.
- They could execute high-risk missions and protect the monarch.
- Delegated specific roles to maximize each man's unique talents.
- Enemies feared their prowess, and troops rallied around David knowing he had exceptional defenders.

Co-Pilot resources and https://www.biblestudy.org/bible-study-by-topic/mighty-men-of-david.html

KING DAVID AND HIS MIGHTY MEN

DAVID (SON OF JESSE)

JOAB

- chief & commander

THE THREE

ADINO (JOSHEB-BASSHEBETH)

- captain of the Three

- captain of captains

ASHOBEAM®

- chief of 30

- chief of captains, officers

ELEAZAR

- one of the Three

(AHITHOPHEL - traitor)

THE THREE OF THE SECOND RANK

ABISHAL

- captain of three

BENAIAH*

- son of Jeholda - over David's Guard

(later, chief & commander)

SHAMMAH

"one of three"

THE THIRTY

Asahel*

Helez* Elhanan

Shammah (Harodite) Elika

Mebunnal Zalmon Heleb Ithal

Hiddai

Ira" (son of Ikkesh)

Abi-Albon

Azmaveth Eliahba Ahlam Eliphelet

Eliam (son of Ahlthophel) Hezro

Paarai

Maharai*

Benalah* (Pirathonite)

Jonathan (son of Shammah) Igal Bani

Zelek Naharal Ira (Ithrite) Gareb

Urlah (Bathsheba's husband)

^{*} later had 24,000 men under them as Division Commanders

The 'Three Mighties'

The Three Heroes

Name	Feat	Reference
Josheb-Basshebeth (Adino)	Killed 800 Philistines in one encounter	2 Samuel 23:8
Eleazar son of Dodo	Held ground at Pas Dammim until his hand "clung" to his sword	2 Samuel 23:9–10
Shammah son of Agee	Defended a lentil field alone and routed the Philistine force	2 Samuel 23:11–12

The Second Group of 'Mighties'

Abishai, Benaiah, and Asahel of David's Mighty Men

Abishai

Abishai, the nephew of David and brother of Joab, rose to command the Thirty mighty men. In one famous battle he used his spear to slay 300 enemy warriors in a single engagement, earning renown equal to the elite Three champions. Though he wasn't one of the top Three, David appointed him leader of the Thirty for his outstanding valor. 1

Benaiah

Benaiah son of Jehoiada from Kabzeel was celebrated for feats of daring: he killed two Moabite champions, chased and slew a lion in a pit on a snowy day, and—armed only with a club—overpowered a 7½-foot Egyptian warrior by seizing the man's own spear and turning it against him. His exploits matched those of the Three, and David made him captain of his bodyguard. 1

Asahel

Asahel, another of Zeruiah's sons and Joab's brother, was counted among the Thirty mighty men. Though less is recorded of individual feats in Chronicles, his inclusion in this roster highlights his reputation as a swift and courageous warrior in David's service.

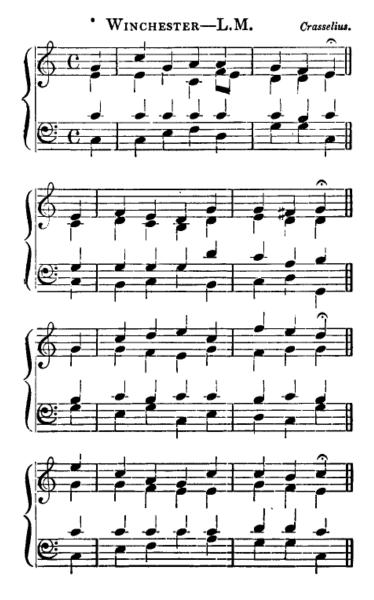
2 Samuel 23:8-12 The 'Three Mighties'

- ⁸ These be the names of the mighty men whom David had:
- 1. The Tachmonite that sat in the seat, chief among the captains; the same was Adino the Eznite: he lift up his spear against eight hundred, whom he slew at one time.
- 2.9 And after him was Eleazar the son of Dodo the Ahohite, one of the three mighty men with David, when they defied the Philistines that were there gathered together to battle, and the men of Israel were gone away: ¹⁰ He arose, and smote the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clave unto the sword: and the LORD wrought a great victory that day; and the people returned after him only to spoil.
- 3.¹¹ And after him was Shammah the son of Agee the Hararite. And the Philistines were gathered together into a troop, where was a piece of ground full of lentiles: and the people fled from the Philistines. ¹² But he stood in the midst of the ground, and defended it, and slew the Philistines: and the LORD wrought a great victory.

2 Samuel 23:13-17 The Second Three

Abishai, Benaiah & Asahel

- ¹³ And three of the thirty chief went down, and came to David in the harvest time unto the cave of Adullam: and the troop of the Philistines pitched in the valley of Rephaim. ¹⁴ And David was then in an hold, and the garrison of the Philistines was then in Bethlehem.
- ¹⁵ And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Bethlehem, which is by the gate!
- ¹⁶ And the three mighty men brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Bethlehem, that was by the gate, and took it, and brought it to David: nevertheless he would not drink thereof, but poured it out unto the LORD.
- ¹⁷ And he said, Be it far from me, O LORD, that I should do this: is not this the blood of the men that went in jeopardy of their lives? therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mighty men.



25.-L. M. (Eph. 6/12; 1 Tim. 6/12; Rev. 3/5)

Those who are willing now to fight, Shall all be clothed in armour bright; And shall be lifted up on high, And shall My standard bearers be.

They in My offices shall stand, They shall My chosen men command; Array'd in clothes of scarlet, bright, Array'd in robes of snowy white.

They then in songs of grace shall break, And in sweet heav'nly raptures speak; My heav'nly rapturous joys divine, Shall in their eyes and faces shine.

The heav'nly songs which I will send, They all shall sing till time shall end; Their charms can ne'er be known or told, Till all eternity unfold.

Luke 6:12-16

Just as David had his followers, Jesus found his disciples.

- ¹² And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God.
- ¹³ And when it was day, he called unto him his disciples: and of them he chose twelve, whom also he named apostles;
- ¹⁴ Simon, (whom he also named Peter,) and Andrew his brother, James and John, Philip and Bartholomew,
- ¹⁵ Matthew and Thomas, James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon called Zelotes,
- ¹⁶ And Judas the brother of James, and Judas Iscariot, which also was the traitor.

Matthew 24:20-24

God also has an elect group who will be close followers of his way.

²⁰ But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day: ²¹ For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. ²² And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

²³ Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. ²⁴ For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

Colossians 3:12-15

We read here of the nature of his followers.

- ¹² Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; ¹³ Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.
- ¹⁴ And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.
- ¹⁵ And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.

Hebrews 11:13-16

David's men fought for a 'geographical' country. God wants us to 'fight' for an heavenly country.

- ¹³ These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.
- ¹⁴ For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country.
- And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned.
- ¹⁶ But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.

God knows who his elect are and he will seal them with this knowledge in their hearts and minds, through the power of Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 1:2

Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

Revelation 7:3&4

³... Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads. ⁴ And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

Message;

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2 Samuel 22:2



FORTH in Thy name, O Lord, I go, My daily labour to pursue; Thee, only Thee resolved to know, In all I think, or speak, or do.

The task Thy wisdom hath assign'd,
O let me cheerfully fulfil!
In all my works Thy Presence find,
And prove Thy acceptable will.

Thee may I set at my right hand,
Whose eyes my inmost substance see;
And labour on at Thy command,
And offer all my works to Thee.

Give me to bear Thy easy yoke,
And every moment watch and pray;
And still to things Eternal look,
And hasten to Thy glorious day.