

Oct 12/25 - David: A Man After God's Own Heart

Sermon Notes

1 Samuel 16:1, 4-7, 10-13

2 Samuel 5:1-4; 7:1-17

Luke 4:1-13

Bruce has suggested that David lived with three core convictions:

- God is Able
- God Sees
- God is Trustworthy.

These convictions are seen in Psalm 31.

The Heart after God's Own Heart – Psalm 31.

God is Able.

- 1) "You are my rock, my refuge, my fortress, my redeemer, the faithful God" (31:1-5).
- 2) "Into your hand I commit my spirit" (31:5).
 - a) I'm putting my life in your hands. This is the commitment of the believer. Remember the image Tim used early in this series – the person rappelling down a rock face must trust their life to the one rope.
 - b) Jesus spoke these words from the cross.

God Sees.

- 1) You know my circumstances. (31:6-13). You know my distress, my sorrow, my grief, my afflictions, my failings.
- 2) When facing Goliath, David said "the Lord who delivered me from the lion and the bear will deliver me from this Philistine!"

God is Trustworthy.

- 1) I trust your timing. "My times are in your hand" (31:15).
 - a) More than once, David had the opportunity to kill Saul and take the kingship for himself but he refused to take matters into his own hands.
 - b) Are you willing to tell God "I trust your timing"?
- 2) I trust your Grace. "How abundant is your goodness which you have stored up for those who fear you" (31:19).
 - a) By definition, God is good and can only do good things in your life! He can take your pain, your mistakes and your brokenness and turn them for good in your life.
- 3) I trust your mercy. "You heard my pleas for mercy when I cried to you for help" (31:22).
 - a) He thought he was cut off from God's sight, but his cry for mercy was heard.