



Lewiston Church of Christ

November 22, 2020



Weekly Services

Sun. Bible Study 9:45 AM

Sun. Worship 10:45 AM

Sun. Day/Evening Groups

Wed Bible Study 7:00 PM

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God's Greatest Desire

Besides God and His Son, who is the most frequently mentioned human in all the Bible? Need hints? Okay, it's not Moses. He comes in second. Nor is it Saul, Jacob, Aaron, Abraham, or Solomon. Here's a better hint—he was a man after God's own heart!

Well, that gave it away. But beyond the numbers, what was it that made David a man after God's heart? Was it his "ruddy" looks? No. In fact, when God chose David, He told Samuel, "God does not see as man sees, since man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." (1 Samuel 16:7).

Was it David's talents as a musician, or his skills in battle, or his eloquence as a writer, or his faithfulness as a friend (like Jonathan), or his wisdom as a leader, or his passions as a man? No, no, no. no, no, and heavens no. It was David's understanding of what God desired first and foremost.

Israel's first king, Saul, was a good fighter and an impressive looker. But he had no clue what God wanted most. So, God removed Saul from his throne and "sought for Himself a man after His own heart." (1 Samuel 13:14). Young David was His choice. But David's looks and his ability to fight were not the main reasons for God's selection. David was an awesome songwriter but God wanted more than his songs. He was magnificent at worship, but God wanted one thing even more than profuse praise.

David's qualities mentioned above didn't hurt. In fact, God probably found some pleasure in them. But they are all worthless without the one thing God wants most. That one thing became crystal clear to David when his rotten sinfulness was exposed. It was amid his dire repentance that David wrote: "Behold, You desire truth in the innermost being." (Psalm 51:6).

That's it! Truth! And God desires truth above all from us as well. Before crowing any king, Samuel put it this way: "Only fear the Lord and serve Him in truth with all your heart" (1 Samuel 12:24)).