

Acts 13:22 (NLT)

But God removed Saul and replaced him with David, a man about whom God said, 'I have found David son of Jesse, **a man after MY OWN HEART.** He will do everything I want him to do.'

2 Samuel 7:22–23 (NLT)

How great you are, O Sovereign LORD! There is no one like you. We have never even heard of another God like you!

2 Samuel 7:23 (NLT)

²³ What other nation on earth is like your people Israel? What other nation, O God, have You redeemed from slavery to be Your own people?...

Psalm 51:10–11 (NLT)

Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a loyal spirit within me. ¹¹ Do not banish me from Your presence, and don't take Your Holy Spirit from me.

Psalm 51:16–17 (NLT)

You do not desire a sacrifice, or I would offer one.
You do not want a burnt offering. ¹⁷ The sacrifice
You desire is a broken spirit. You will not reject
a broken and repentant heart, O God.

The **BEST** of **times**
the **WORST** of **times**

1 and 2 Samuel

Israel is in **TRANSITION** from a group of
Tribes ruled by Judges -TO-
a **Unified Kingdom** ruled by **King David**
in Jerusalem. bibleproject

Joseph
Jacob
Isaac
Abraham

FOUNDERS

Moses

EXODUS

Joshua

CONQUEST

Samuel
Eli

JUDGES

Solomon
David
Saul

KINGS



David's **SUCCESS**

- he **KILLED** Goliath
- he did not **KILL** Saul
- he was a **POET** and Musician
- he was a man of **PRAYER**

- he United a **FRACTURED** kingdom
- he had a **HEART FOR** God
- **ANCESTOR** of Jesus Christ
- Man of **FAITH**
- was **VICTORIOUS** in Battle

2 Samuel 8:15 (NLT)

So David reigned over **ALL Israel** and
DID what was **JUST** and **RIGHT** for
ALL his people.

David's STRUGGLES

- he Committed **ADULTERY** with Bathsheba
- **MURDER** of Uriah
- Did **NOT** deal with the sins of his children
- National **REBELLION** against David

➤ The **CENSUS** of the Nation

In that time and culture a man only had the right to count that which actually belonged to him. **Israel did NOT belong to David; Israel BELONGED to God.**

It was up to God to command a census,
and if David counted he should only have done it
AT God's command, COLLECTING a Ransom
to “atone” for the counting. gotquestions.org

2 Samuel 24:10 (NLT)

But after he had taken the census, **David's conscience began to bother him**. And he said to the LORD, "I have **sinned greatly** by taking this census.

2 Samuel 24:10-11 (NLT)

Please forgive my guilt, LORD, for doing this foolish thing.” ¹¹ The next morning the **Word of the LORD** came to the prophet Gad, who was David’s seer.

This was the message:

2 Samuel 24:17 (NLT)

When David saw the angel, he said to the LORD,
“**I am the one who has sinned and done wrong!**
But these people are as **innocent as sheep** –
what have they done? **Let YOUR anger fall**
against me and my family.”

2 Samuel 24:18-21 (NLT)

²¹ “I have come to **buy your threshing floor** and to **build an altar to the LORD** there, so that **HE will STOP the plague.**”

2 Samuel 24:24–25 (NLT)

24 ...I insist on buying it, for **I will not present burnt offerings** to the LORD my God that have **Cost me NOTHING.**”

Lessons From David's Life

- Acknowledge and **CONFESSED** his sin to God
- Forgiveness does NOT Remove the **CONSEQUENCES** of sin
- God wants us to fully **TRUST** Him and to Obey Him
- Reveals that one person can **MAKE a DIFFERENCE**
- David received **REBUKE** by humbly admitting his faults