

# GOD AND ORDINARY PEOPLE, LIKE US

“David... A Life Filled  
With SURPRISES” Pt. 4



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## Questions:

- What do you want so badly that it's creating an inner war inside of you?
- What will it take for us to live a surrendered life to Jesus on a daily basis?

## Surrendering My Wants For God's Will/Plans

<sup>6</sup> As the war between the house of Saul and the house of David went on, Abner became a powerful leader among those loyal to Saul. <sup>7</sup> One day Ishbosheth, Saul's son, accused Abner of sleeping with one of his father's concubines, a woman named Rizpah, daughter of Aiah. <sup>8</sup> Abner was furious. "Am I some Judean dog to be kicked around like this?" he shouted. "After all I have done for your father, Saul, and his family and friends by not handing you over to David, is this my reward—that you find fault with me about this woman?" <sup>9</sup> May God strike me and even kill me if I don't do everything I can to help David get what the LORD has promised him! <sup>10</sup> I'm going to take Saul's kingdom and give it to David. I will establish the throne of David over Israel as well as Judah, all the way from Dan in the north to Beersheba in the south." <sup>11</sup> Ishbosheth didn't dare say another word because he was afraid of what Abner might do. <sup>12</sup> Then Abner sent messengers to David, saying, "Doesn't the entire land belong to you? Make a solemn pact with me, and I will help turn over all of Israel to you." <sup>13</sup> "All right," David replied, "but I will not negotiate with you unless you bring back my wife Michal, Saul's daughter, when you come." <sup>14</sup> David then sent this message to Ishbosheth, Saul's son: "Give me back my wife Michal, for I bought her with the lives of 100 Philistines." <sup>15</sup> So Ishbosheth took Michal away from her husband, Palti son of Laish. <sup>16</sup> Palti followed along behind her as far as Bahurim, weeping as he went. Then Abner told him, "Go back home!" So Palti returned. <sup>17</sup> Meanwhile, Abner had consulted with the elders of Israel. "For some time now," he told them, "you have wanted to make David your king. <sup>18</sup> Now is the time! For the LORD has said, 'I have chosen David to save my people Israel from the hands of the Philistines and from all their other enemies.'" <sup>19</sup> Abner also spoke with the men of Benjamin. Then he went to Hebron to tell David that all the people of Israel and Benjamin had agreed to support him. <sup>20</sup> When Abner and twenty of his men came to Hebron, David entertained them with a great feast. <sup>21</sup> Then Abner said to David, "Let me go and call an assembly of all Israel to support my lord the king. They will make a covenant with you to make you their king, and you will rule over everything your heart desires." So David sent Abner safely on his way. 2 Samuel 3:6–21 (NLT)

- David's running finally stopped, yet his surprises were not yet over ...What's NEXT?

- No human being is going to escape the fulfillment of God's plan for their life!

- WHEN you and I STOP resisting God's small promptings and cooperate with him, our life will start getting better!

- Believe it or not, ALL of our sins have a way of hurting God and one another, even while living under His GRACE!

- Grace knows each of us by name, but we are not excused from following God's instructions his way!

...<sup>12</sup> Then King David was told, "The LORD has blessed Obed-edom's household and everything he has because of the Ark of God." So David went there and brought the Ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the City of David with a great celebration. <sup>13</sup> After the men who were carrying the Ark of the LORD had gone six steps, David sacrificed a bull and a fattened calf. <sup>14</sup> And David danced before the LORD with all his might, wearing a priestly garment. <sup>15</sup> So David and all the people of Israel brought up the Ark of the LORD with shouts of joy and the blowing of rams' horns. 2 Samuel 6:1–15 (NLT)

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