

# David 11 – A Last Great Song

1. Recap –
  1. Civil war between David and Absalom
  2. 20,000 casualties dead
  3. Absalom eventually caught by his hair in a tree and killed
  4. David very upset, but told to get over it
  5. Sheba rebellion. He was a distant relative of Saul. He suggested that the nation split in two and the non Judah tribes attack David. Joab David's commander deals with the situation ultimately getting the people who were sheltering Sheba to cut off his head and give it to Joab 2 Samuel 20 v22
2. 2 Samuel 22 – Though this is recorded here near the end of Samuel it is believed that David wrote this before his encounter with Bathsheba
  1. 1-4 – God the rock who is worthy of praise
  2. 5-7 -The Circumstances that threatened
  3. 8-16 – God the overwhelming Lord of Nature
  4. 17-20 - God the powerful rescuer
  5. 21-25 – God the rewarder of righteousness
  6. 26-30 - God the faithful enabler
  7. 31-37 – God the perfect unique provider
  8. 38-43 – David revels in his victories
  9. 44-46 – God the triumphant conquer
  10. 47-51 – God the rock who is worthy of praise
  11. The key points of this are that God is – My Rock, My Fortress, My Deliverer
3. Lets just look at some passages on the Vision of God
  1. Isaiah 6 1-3
  2. Habakkuk 2 v14

3. Ezekiel 1 4-28
  4. 2 Corinthians 12 1-6 - Paul has a vision of God and his greatness
  5. Q So What is our vision of God – Can we share this?
4. So moving back to our story on David 1 Chronicles 21
    1. read v1 only
    2. The two largely overlap Chronicles is more of a history book rather than a spiritual centred one.
  5. 2 Samuel 24 – We will probably look at Chapter 23 next time
    1. v1. Compare this to 1 Chronicles 21 v1. Q What do we think about the difference  
The writer of Samuel knows that God is in control, so we can say that God allowed Satan to tempt David.
    2. 2-8 Q What is wrong with having a census? A It was a census of the army. The level of human power was being assessed, and God was not being considered. Do we remember the story of Gideon? Judges 7 V1-8
    3. 9-14 Q So if we were David which would we choose
    4. 15-17 Q Is this fair of God?
    5. You may have noticed that the plague now makes the census null and void
    6. 18-25 – David buys the threshing floor
    7. So this account leaves us with three warnings – Can we think of them
      1. Accountability – Though we are not all Kings we are all accountable for those people and things around us and God takes this on board
      2. All Sin has consequences and if we ignore these then we ignore Gods truth. This does not mean to say that God does not forgive us our sins if we ask him to do so.
      3. We need to take God as Lord seriously. In how we act, what we do and say. It is not a once a week Sunday activity, but an activity for everyday
6. Psalm 103 – I know the list said 108 but this was a mistake could not read my own writing. This Psalm was written by David in his old age. It tells us 7 Times to

1. 1-5 - David Praises the Lord
2. 6-18 – The Lord Loves his people
3. 19-22 - Angels and all in Heaven praise the Lord

The challenge this Psalm gives us is do we remember to praise God for all the good things he gives us, or do we just take them for granted