The Legacy of David

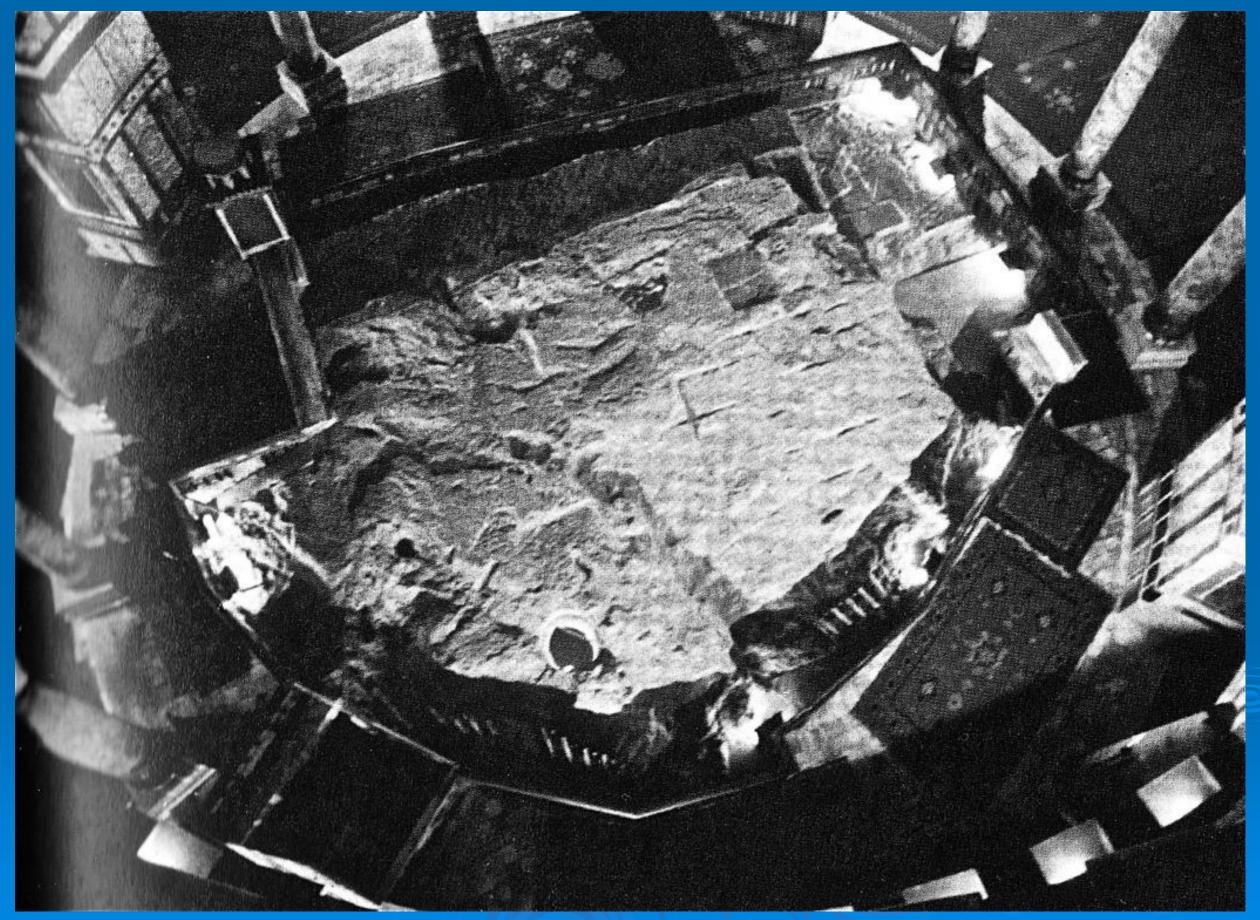
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What is legacy?

The Legacy of David 2 Samuel 15:23-26.

The whole countryside wept aloud as all the people passed by. The king also crossed the Kidron Valley, and all the people moved on toward the wilderness. "Zadok was there, too, and all the Levites who were with him were carrying the ark of the covenant of God. They set down the ark of God, and Abiathar offered sacrifices until all the people had finished leaving the city."





Then the king said to Zadok, "Take the ark of God back into the city.

If I find favor in the LORD's eyes, he will bring me back and let me see it and his dwelling place again. But if he says, 'I am not pleased with you,' then I am ready; let him do to me whatever seems good to him."

He surrenders his dreams to God.

The Legacy of David 2 Samuel 15:30-31

But David continued up the Mount of Olives, weeping as he went; his head was covered and he was barefoot. All the people with him covered their heads too and were weeping as they went up. Now David had been told, "Ahithophel is among the conspirators with Absalom. "So David prayed, "LORD, turn Ahithophel's counsel into foolishness."

The Legacy of David Psalm 55

1-3. Listen to my prayer, O God, do not ignore my plea! Hear me and answer me. My thoughts trouble me and I am distraught because of what my enemy is saying, because of the threats of the wicked; for they bring down suffering on me and assail me in their anger. My heart is in anguish within me; the terrors of death have fallen on me....

12-14. If an enemy were insulting me, I could endure it; if a foe were rising against me, I could hide. But it is you, a man like myself, my companion, my close friend, with whom I once enjoyed sweet fellowship at the house of God, as we walked about among the worshipers.

21-23. His talk is smooth as butter, yet war is in his heart; his words are more soothing than oil, yet they are drawn swords.....But as for me, I trust in you (God).

He surrenders broken relationships to God.

The Legacy of David 2 Samuel 16

5-9. As King David approached Bahurim, a man from the same clan as Saul's family came out from there. His name was Shimei son of Gera, and he cursed as he came out. He pelted David and all the king's officials with stones, though all the troops and the special guard were on David's right and left. As he cursed, Shimei said, "Get out, get out, you murderer, you scoundre!

The LORD has repaid you for all the blood you shed in the household of Saul, in whose place you have reigned. The LORD has given the kingdom into the hands of your son Absalom. You have come to ruin because you are a murderer! Then Abishai son of Zeruiah said to the king, "Why should this dead dog curse my lord the king? Let me go over and cut off his head."

10-12. But the king said, "What does this have to do with you, you sons of Zeruiah? If he is cursing because the LORD said to him, 'Curse David,' who can ask, 'Why do you do this?'" David then said to Abishai and all his officials, "My son, my own flesh and blood, is trying to kill me. How much more, then, this Benjamite! Leave him alone; let him curse, for the LORD has told him to.

It may be that the LORD will look upon my misery and restore to me his covenant blessing instead of his curse today." So David and his men continued along the road while Shimei was going al the hillside opposite him, cursing as he went and throwing stones at him and showering him with dirt.

He surrenders his pride to God.

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- 1) He surrenders his dreams and plans to God.
- 2) He surrenders his disappointments and broken relationships to God.
- 3) He surrenders his pride and self reliance to God.

This concludes to stories of David--a man after God's own heart.