

# Recover what you've lost

David – A Flawed Hero

Who are your modern day  
'flawed heroes'?

Who were bible day  
'flawed heroes'?

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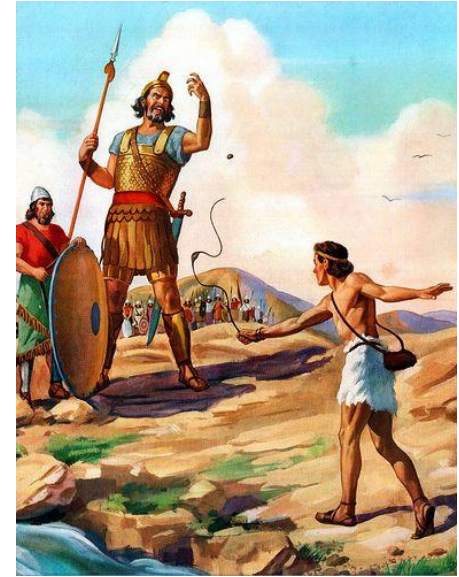
Moses



Miriam



Paul



David

# Who was David?

# Reading

1 Samuel 30: 1-8, 17-19

<sup>1</sup> David and his men reached Ziklag on the third day. Now the Amalekites had raided the Negev and Ziklag. They had attacked Ziklag and burned it,

<sup>2</sup> and had taken captive the women and everyone else in it, both young and old. They killed none of them, but carried them off as they went on their way.



<sup>3</sup> When David and his men reached Ziklag, they found it destroyed by fire and their wives and sons and daughters taken captive. <sup>4</sup> So David and his men wept aloud until they had no strength left to weep.

<sup>5</sup> David's two wives had been captured, Ahinoam of Jezreel and Abigail, the widow of Nabal of Carmel. <sup>6</sup> David was greatly distressed because the men were talking of stoning him; each one was bitter in spirit because of his sons and daughters.

But David found strength in the LORD his God. <sup>7</sup> Then David said to Abiathar the priest, the son of Ahimelek, “Bring me the ephod.”

Abiathar brought it to him, <sup>8</sup> and David inquired of the LORD, “Shall I pursue this raiding party? Will I overtake them?” “Pursue them,” he answered. “You will certainly overtake them and succeed in the rescue.”

<sup>17</sup> David fought them from dusk until the evening of the next day, and none of them got away, except four hundred young men who rode off on camels and fled. <sup>18</sup> David recovered everything the Amalekites had taken, including his two wives.

19 Nothing was missing: young or old,  
boy or girl, plunder or anything else  
they had taken. David brought  
everything back.

“So David and his men wept aloud until  
they had no strength left to weep.”  
(1 Sam 30:4)

**“But David found strength in the Lord  
his God” (1 Sam 30:6)**



Ziklag – the place of  
disappointment, loss of  
enthusiasm, vision & hope

# What is your Ziklag?

God may leave us in this stage  
**until we decide to change**

**“By strengthening or encouraging  
ourselves in the Lord”**

Do we decide to live as  
**spiritually wounded** or  
**spiritually flawed heroes?**

**“All things work together **for**  
**good** to those who love the Lord”  
(Rom 8:28)**

13 I would have despaired had I not  
believed that I would see  
the **goodness of the LORD**  
in the land of the living.

**14 Wait for and confidently expect**  
the LORD; Be strong and let your heart  
take courage; Yes, **wait**  
**for and confidently expect** the LORD.  
(Psalm 27:13-14)



“I’ll breathe my life into you and you’ll live. Then I’ll lead you straight back to your land and you’ll realise that I am God. **I’ve said it and I’ll do it. GOD’S DECREE.**” (Ezekiel 34: 14)