

A person wearing a grey hooded robe is kneeling in a grassy field, holding a long wooden staff or spear. The person is positioned in the lower-left quadrant of the frame, facing right. The background is a vast field of tall grasses, with a large, bright sun setting behind a line of trees in the distance. The sky is a mix of pale yellow and white, and the overall scene is bathed in a warm, golden light. The text is overlaid on the image in a white, handwritten font.

A Heart Like
God's

Part 7: The Heart of a Warrior

Following every spiritual victory comes the potential for greater victories. This requires a new mindset, a new authority, and new weapons.

1 Blessed be the LORD, my rock, Who trains
my hands for war, *And* my fingers for battle;

Psalm 144:1

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51 Then David ran and stood over the Philistine and *took his sword and drew it out of its sheath and killed him, and cut off his head with it.* When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled.

1 Samuel 17:51–58

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The weapon the enemy
sought to use against you,
in your anointed hands, is
meant to become a weapon
against his own kingdom.

11 “O afflicted one, storm-tossed, *and not*
comforted, Behold, I will set your stones in
antimony, And your foundations I will lay in
sapphires.

Isaiah 54:11–17

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12 “Moreover, I will make your battlements
of rubies, And your gates of crystal, And your
entire wall of precious stones.

13 “All your sons will be taught of the LORD;
And the well-being of your sons will be great.

14 "In righteousness you will be established;
You will be far from oppression, for you will
not fear; And from terror, for it will not
come near you.

15 “If anyone fiercely assails *you* it will not be from Me. **Whoever assails you will fall because of you.**

16 “Behold, I Myself have created the smith
who blows the fire of coals **And brings out a
weapon for its work;** And I have created the
destroyer to ruin.

17 “No weapon that is formed against you will prosper; And every tongue that accuses you in judgment you will condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, And their vindication is from Me,” declares the LORD.

52 The men of Israel and Judah arose and shouted and pursued the Philistines as far as the valley, and to the gates of Ekron. And the slain Philistines lay along the way to Shaaraim, even to Gath and Ekron.

1 Samuel 17:51–58

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53 The sons of Israel returned from chasing the Philistines and plundered their camps.

54 Then David took the Philistine's head and brought it to Jerusalem, but he put his weapons in his tent.

Our victories are never
just for ourselves. They
are for establishing a
Kingdom in which future
generations will live.

David brought Goliath's
head to the place where
the Son of David would
one day crush the head of
Goliath's father once and
for all.

55 Now when Saul saw David going out against the Philistine, he said to Abner the commander of the army, “**Abner, whose son is this young man?**” And Abner said, “By your life, O king, I do not know.”

1 Samuel 17:55–58

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56 The king said, "You inquire whose son the youth is."

57 So when David returned from killing the Philistine, Abner took him and brought him before Saul with the Philistine's head in his hand.

58 Saul said to him, “Whose son are you, young man?” And David answered, “*I am the son of your servant Jesse the Bethlehemite.*”

Our life story will not be limited by the upbringing we had, and our family will be blessed because of our connection with Christ.

God will cause even a
fruitless tree to bear
fruit when it suits His
desire to **bless the nations.**

1 Then a shoot will spring from the stem of
Jesse, And a branch from his roots will bear
fruit.

Isaiah 11:1-2

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2 The Spirit of the LORD will rest on Him,
The spirit of wisdom and understanding, The
spirit of counsel and strength, The spirit of
knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

Just as David was
overlooked by his father,
the Son of David was
overlooked by everyone.

He bore good fruit
anyway.

1 Now it came about when he had finished speaking to Saul, that *the soul of Jonathan was knit to the soul of David*, and Jonathan loved him as himself.

1 Samuel 18:1-4

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2 Saul took him that day and *did not let him return to his father's house.*

3 Then *Jonathan made a covenant with David*
because he loved him as himself.

4 Jonathan stripped himself of the **robe** that was on him and *gave it to David*, with his **armor**, including his **sword** and his **bow** and his **belt**.

Royalty recognizes royalty,
and honors it as such
regardless of the stage of
that one's journey to the
throne.

Royalty always seeks to lift others up to the throne. A competitive or jealous spirit seeks to use others as rungs on the "corporate ladder."

Normally, royalty passes in
bloodlines from Father to
Son. This transfer of
authority went from
natural born heir to the
God's Chosen.

Jesus clothed us in His
own robes because we
came to this Kingdom with
nothing but rags.

Jesus gave us new
(spiritual) weapons because
the battles that spiritual
kings face cannot be won
by our familiar carnal
weapons.

5 So David went out wherever Saul sent him, and prospered; and Saul set him over the men of war. And it was pleasing in the sight of all the people and also in the sight of Saul's servants.

1 Samuel 18:5

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One who is called to
leadership manifests
leadership regardless of
rank or station.

To wear the mantle of a king, one must first demonstrate the greatest love of all.