

House of David

Episode 2: Deep Calls to Deep

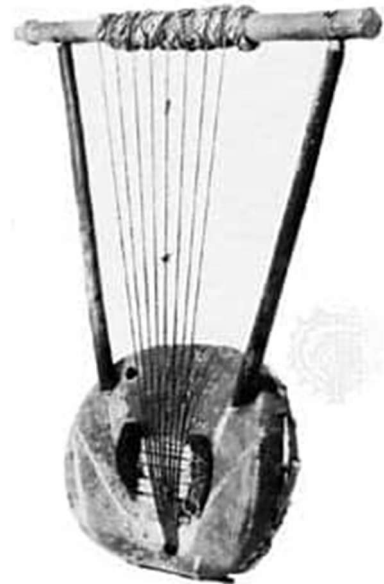
We learn a bit more about David in this episode. For example, that he has fought lions, won and that he plays the lyre.

As you can see in the show, the lyre is a type of harp. A lyre is a stringed musical instrument. It is characterized by a U-shaped frame with two arms and a crossbar. The strings of a lyre are plucked to play the instrument. The lyre's structure allows for a range of musical expressions, making it a significant instrument in the history of music.

Scripture describes David as a skilled lyre musician. 1 Samuel 16:17-18 (ESV) ¹⁷ So Saul said to his servants, "Provide for me a man who can play well and bring him to me." ¹⁸ One of the young men answered, "Behold, I have seen a son of Jesse the Bethlehemite, who is skillful in playing, a man of valor, a man of war, prudent in speech, and a man of good presence, and the Lord is with him."

He continues to have this feud with the lion which portrays David as someone who has the strength, skill and courage to take on a lion and win.

We see David take on these different roles which don't seem significant all at once, but are preparing him for being a good warrior, king, psalmist. Can you reflect on your life and see where God has put you in a position to learn and gain a skill which has helped you later in life?



Are you in a spot right now where you feel like you are waiting or in a role that isn't for your calling? Do you think that God could be using this experience in some way for the future?

Saul talks to his daughter and she brings up Moses and the people praising the snake on the pole. See Numbers 21:5-9 for more information.

There are some facts about David's mom that are introduced in the show, but are not backed by scripture. It could be assumed that these things are true of his mom and life, but it is not explicitly stated in scripture.

- His mom is portrayed as only being David's mother and not the mother of the other brothers.
- She was not in a good relationship with Jesse. It seems that the show is alluding to his mom being part of an affair or a non-Jew.
- She was killed by a lion and Jesse blames David for her death
- She plays the harp and sings

Later in the episode we see David and his brother Eliab going to a city that is deserted. David and his brother are attacked and Eliab gets severely hurt. David carries him home in hopes of saving his life. Here we see that David is in fact strong and has a heart to help the ones he loves. This is not recorded in scripture, but gives us an idea of David's love and faithfulness.

- We can see God's love and faithfulness through David and other bible stories. How have you seen God's love and faithfulness in your life recently?

By the end of the episode we see Saul really struggling. He is starting to have nightmares and is sleepwalking/ sleep fighting like a crazy person.

- At this point we know God is no longer with Saul and he is really struggling. Can you remember a time in your life, before you accepted Jesus that you struggled? What has changed in your life now that you do have Jesus?

WE ARE ALSO INTRODUCED IN THIS EPISODE TO THE IDEA OF GIANTS FIGHTING AND KILLING PEOPLE IN VILLAGES. THERE IS TALK OF THE NEPHILIM GIANTS AND IT WAS SAID THAT GIANTS HAD DESTROYED THE VILLAGE DAVID VISITED. WE WILL HEAR MORE ABOUT GIANTS IN EPISODE 6.