



DAVID, SO 'CHILL' LEADER

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*YOU ARE A LEADER!
BUT, WHAT KIND?*

David

*NON-
VINDICTIVE
PATIENCE IN
THE FACE OF
OPPOSITION*

Anointed king by God but hunted by the reigning King Saul – refused to rid himself of his nemesis

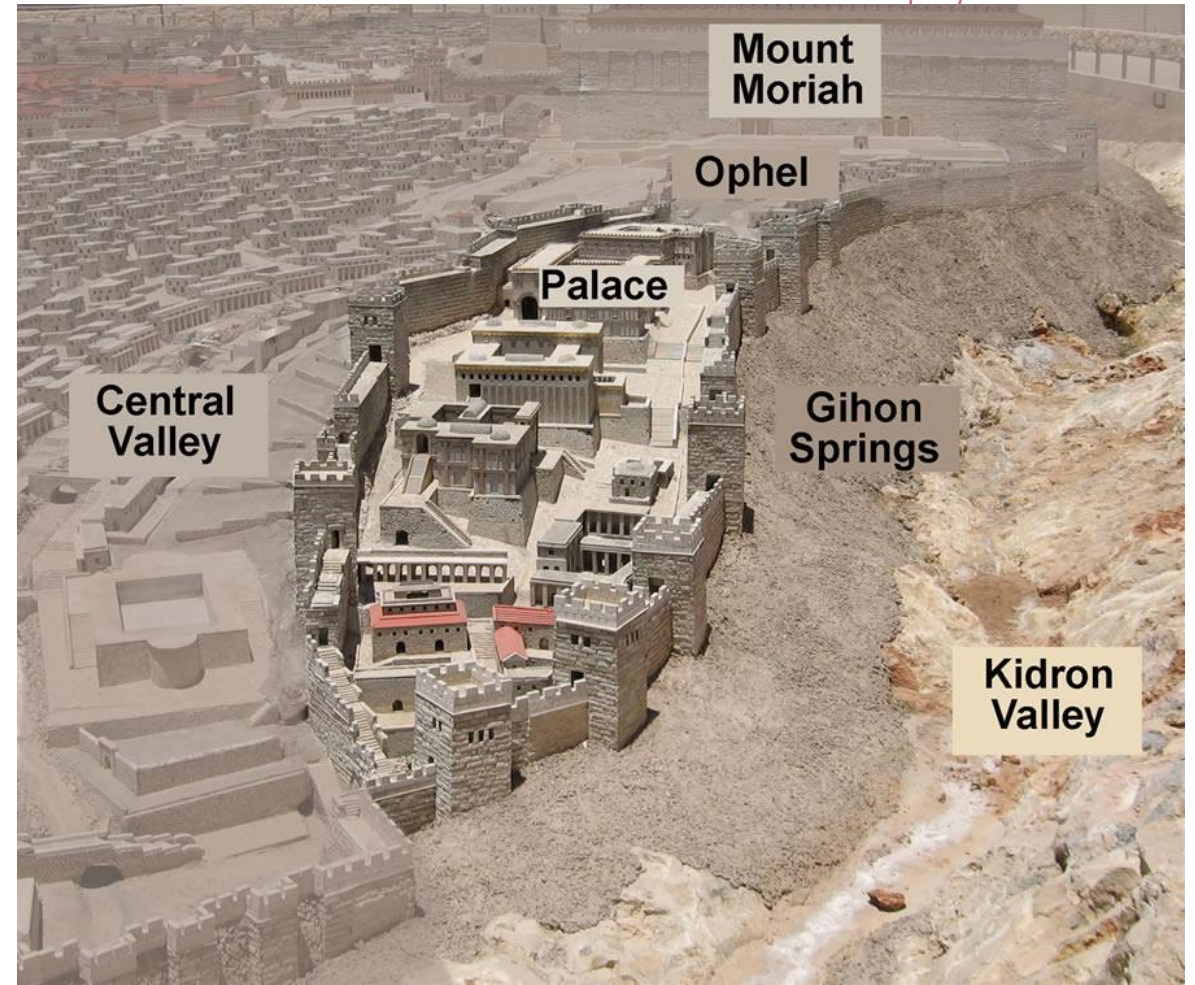
Anointed king by God but not accepted by the nation – unperturbed by the pro-Saul nation

Was king for 7.5 years at Hebron before the nation accepted his reign – waited for the people to recognise the legitimacy of his anointing rather than force his divine right on them

David

*HAD A CLEAR
LONG-TERM
VISION*

- Knew that Israel needed a political and spiritual centre
- Captured Jerusalem and changed history



David

*LIVED BY AN
UNDETERRED
MISSION*

Wanted to give Yahweh a permanent 'home', to build a Temple

God did not permit him to build the Temple

Undeterred, David made all necessary preparations so his son Solomon could perform the task quickly and efficiently

David

*INSPIRED
OTHERS TO
BE GIANT
SLAYERS*

These four were the descendants of [the] Rapha (giant) who lived in Gath; they were killed by David and his soldiers. (2 Sam 21.22)

Early in his career he had killed the giant Goliath in battle


Nearly 40 years later, Goliath's family of giants attempted to take their revenge but were defeated by David's elite soldiers

- Abishai killed the giant Ishbi-benob, a descendant of Goliath
- Sibbekai killed the giant Saph, a descendant of Goliath
- Elhanan killed the giant Lakhmi, brother of Goliath
- Jonathan killed an unnamed giant descendant of Goliath

David

*RELIED ON A
SECOND-IN-
COMMAND
WHO WAS NOT
A 'YES' MAN*

- Joab was David's aide-de-camp, his general, his chief warrior
 - The Abner episode – Joab withdrew from battle to avoid a massacre of Abner's forces without consulting David but later contradicted David's leniency by eliminating Abner
 - The Uriah episode – Joab executed David's orders to get rid of Uriah
 - The Absalom episode – Joab kills the coup plotting prince against David's instructions then forces David to stop mourning for Absalom and to celebrate with his loyal soldiers
 - The Census episode – Joab attempted to stop David from committing a grievous error; David did not listen and was responsible for the greatest tragedy of his reign

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- Exercise non-vindictive patience
 - Have a clear long-term vision
 - Live by an undeterred mission
 - Inspire others to be giant slayers
 - Work with someone who will be your conscience

*BE A 'CHILL' LEADER
LIKE DAVID!*