

Serve God's Purpose

Part 2

*“For when David had served God's purpose in his own generation.” (Acts 13:36a NIV)
“For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God.” (Acts 13:36a KJV)*

To live and achieve God's purpose this is what the Lord wants from us to do and achieve in this life while we are on earth. There are certain things we need to observe so that God's purpose would be achieved and fulfilled in our lives as ought to be. We will study here from King David life's certain points that make us know how to fulfill God's purpose in our lives: even as we observe simple points but that will make much difference.

2- David obeyed the instructions of his father: The word of God tells us the following, *“Honor your father and your mother, as the LORD your God has commanded you, so that you may live long and that it may go well with you in the land the LORD your God is giving you.” (Deuteronomy 5:16)* Why God said in his word honor your father and mother? Because the parents are the one responsible to care for the children physically and to teach them and train them with the word of God. David obeyed his father as we can read: **A.** He listened to his father when his father sent for him to meet Samuel: *“¹¹ So he asked Jesse, “Are these all the sons you have?” There is still the youngest,” Jesse answered, “but he is tending the sheep.” Samuel said, “Send for him; we will not sit down until he arrives.”¹² So he sent and had him brought in. He was ruddy, with a fine appearance and handsome features. Then the LORD said, “Rise and anoint him; he is the one.” (1Samuel 16:11-12)* **B.** He listened to his father when his father sent him to play the harp for King Saul *“²⁰ So Jesse took a donkey loaded with bread, a skin of wine and a young goat and sent them with his son David to Saul. ²¹ David came to Saul and entered his service. Saul liked him very much, and David became one of his armor-bearers. ²² Then Saul sent word to Jesse, saying, “Allow David to remain in my service, for I am pleased with him.” (1Samuel 16:20-22)* **C.** He listened to his father when his father sent him to look after his brothers who were in the field, *“¹⁷ Now Jesse said to his son David, “Take this ephah of roasted grain and these ten loaves of bread for your brothers and hurry to their camp. ¹⁸ Take along these ten cheeses to the commander of their unit. See how your brothers are and bring back some assurance from them. ¹⁹ They are with Saul and all the men of Israel in the Valley of Elah, fighting against the Philistines.” ²⁰ Early in the morning David left the flock with a shepherd, loaded up and set out, as Jesse had directed. He reached the camp as the army was going out to its battle positions, shouting the war cry.” (1Samuel 17:17-20)*

The father of David was doing God's will and obeying God's word, so when David was obeying his father he was obeying God, and as David obeyed he received God's blessings. When he was sent the first time he was anointed as king, in second time he received his first service to God, and on the third time he got the opportunity to kill Goliath.

David obeyed his father as his father was obeying God. You need to continue to listen to your parents and obey them as long as your parents are telling you the word of God and the will of God in your life.

3- David accepted God's call in his life: This is the account of God's calling for David, *“¹ The LORD said to Samuel, “How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of*

Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king.”² But Samuel said, “How can I go? Saul will hear about it and kill me.” The LORD said, “Take a heifer with you and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.’³ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what to do. You are to anoint for me the one I indicate.”⁴ Samuel did what the LORD said. When he arrived at Bethlehem, the elders of the town trembled when they met him. They asked, “Do you come in peace?”⁵ Samuel replied, “Yes, in peace; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD. Consecrate yourselves and come to the sacrifice with me.” Then he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. ⁶ When they arrived, Samuel saw Eliab and thought, “Surely the LORD's anointed stands here before the LORD.”⁷ But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart.”⁸ Then Jesse called Abinadab and had him pass in front of Samuel. But Samuel said, “The LORD has not chosen this one either.”⁹ Jesse then had Shammah pass by, but Samuel said, “Nor has the LORD chosen this one.”¹⁰ Jesse had seven of his sons pass before Samuel, but Samuel said to him, “The LORD has not chosen these.”¹¹ So he asked Jesse, “Are these all the sons you have?” “There is still the youngest,” Jesse answered, “but he is tending the sheep.” Samuel said, “Send for him; we will not sit down until he arrives.”¹² So he sent and had him brought in. He was ruddy, with a fine appearance and handsome features. Then the LORD said, “Rise and anoint him; he is the one.”¹³ So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the LORD came upon David in power. Samuel then went to Ramah.” (1Samuel 16:1-13) As simple as this and that was the setting for David to be anointing as king. God had called him and he responded to God's call and the Spirit of the Lord came upon him in power from that day.

The same for you as you respond to the calling of God in your life and obey him then you will have the anointing of the Holy Spirit. God had called you in many occasions in your life and even now as you hear the message, then how you will respond to that call is your responsibility toward God to comply to his will and to his plan and to be blessed. Trust God and obey Him. Don't look to the obstacles in your life and don't be negative in your mind and the way you think, *“For nothing is impossible with God.” (Luke 1:37)* Also you need to be reminded with the following: *“The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it.” (1Thessalonians 5:24)*

My Dear and Beloved: The calling of David was in a critical period in the life of the people of God. Saul was the king but he failed God and there is need for a job needed to be done. David when he was anointed He might not be aware of all that and you also now might not be aware of why God had called you and for what purpose, but the most important thing is that there is a work needed to be done and that is why God is calling you to do it. You will be blessed as you agree and pray.

My Prayer: *“Father God in heaven, I come before you in Jesus name who died on the cross for my sins to give me eternal life. Lord thank you for you calling me to serve you and do your will. Lord I commit myself fully into your service, I am ready and willing to do the task that you prepared for me to do, this is my prayer in Jesus' name, Amen.*