

20/20 VISION PURSUE AND RECOVER ALL

Your Story God's Glory



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A year of Influence & favour

Joseph was positioned through adversity into Pharaohs palace Daniel was positioned in the palace of 4 kings through exile

Their story could have been

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- > Slavery
- > Poverty
- Pain
- > Suffering
- Sickness

Isaiah 59:<u>19</u> So shall they fear The name of the Lord from the west, And His glory from the rising of the sun; When the enemy comes in like a flood, The Spirit of the Lord will lift up a standard against him.

like a flood = waters driven by wind

The Flood is the word and the Holy Spirit

(1) Your story can change

David		Age
•	He was anointed king but no kingdom	13-14
•	David had defeated goliath	17
•	Fled from King Saul	22
•	Lost everything at Ziklag	28

1 Samuel 30: <u>1</u> Now it happened, when David and his men came to Ziklag, on the third day, that the Amalekites had invaded the South and Ziklag, attacked Ziklag and burned it with fire, <u>2</u>and had taken captive the women and those who *were* there, from small to great; they did not kill anyone, but carried *them* away and went their way. <u>3</u>So David and his men came to the city, and there it was, burned with fire; and their wives, their sons, and their daughters had been taken captive. <u>4</u>Then David and the people who *were* with him lifted up their voices and wept, until they had no more power to weep.

Have you ever

- Ran out of tears
- ✤ Been overcome by pain
- Drowning in sorrow
- Filled with despair

What do you do when you don't know what to do!

6Now David was greatly distressed, for the people spoke of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and his daughters. But David strengthened himself in the Lord his God.

Ziklag was

- Burned
- * Family's taken captive
- Wealth stolen
- The people blamed him

7Then David said to Abiathar the priest, Ahimelech's son, "Please bring the ephod here to me." And Abiathar brought the ephod to David. 8So David inquired of the Lord, saying, "Shall I pursue this troop? Shall I overtake them?" GOT WHAT IS YOUR WILL? And He answered him, "Pursue, for you shall surely overtake *them* and without fail recover *all.*"

He Said (The voice of the prophet)

Don't settle with survival

Press on to success

Victims survive and live off their story Conquerors destroy their enemy and plunder their riches

Romans 8: <u>37</u> No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <u>38</u>For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, <u>k</u> neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, <u>39</u>neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Your Story shall bring Him Glory

Romans 10:11 As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame."

<u>Joel 2:26</u> "You will have plenty to eat and be satisfied And praise the name of the LORD your God, Who has dealt wondrously with you; Then My people will never be put to shame.

wondrously = to be surpassing or extraordinary

<u>Psalm 126:2</u> Then our mouths were filled with laughter and our tongues with shouts of joy. Then it was proclaimed among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them." 3 The LORD has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

(2) You shall recover all

God has established a spiritual principle of recovering everything that has been lost

The thief has to pay back and pay a penalty

<u>1 Samuel 30:8</u> So David inquired of the Lord, saying, "Shall I pursue this troop? Shall I overtake them?" And He answered him, "Pursue, for you shall surely overtake *them* and without fail recover *all*."

His question was shall I pursue (in order to punish)
He did not know if their families had been slain
Don't just pursue recover all

Exodus 22:1. Five oxen for an ox, and four sheep for a sheep —

More for an ox than for a sheep, because the owner, besides all the other profit, lost the daily labour of his ox

Exodus 22:4 If the stolen animal is found alive in their possession whether ox or donkey or sheep—they must pay back double.

Proverbs 6 : <u>31</u> Yet if he is caught, he must pay sevenfold, though it costs him all the wealth of his house.

Minimum is twice but then there was seven and even 100

1 Samuel 30:<u>18</u> David recovered everything the Amalekites had taken, including his two wives. <u>19</u>Nothing was missing: young or old, boy or girl, plunder or anything else they had taken. David brought everything back.

There had to be some Pursuing

There had to be some Prosecuting

There had to be some punishing

I went to the enemy's camp

1 Samuel 30:<u>17</u> David fought them from dusk until the evening of the next day, and none of them got away,

Go to the enemy camp and take back Take it in prayer

Job 42:<u>10</u> After Job had prayed for his friends, the Lord restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before. <u>11</u>All his brothers and sisters and everyone who had known him before came and ate with him in his house. They comforted and consoled him over all the trouble the Lord had brought on him, and each one gave him a piece of silver ^a and a gold ring.

<u>12</u>The Lord blessed the latter part of Job's life more than the former part. He had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen and a thousand donkeys. <u>**13**</u>And he also had seven sons and three daughters.

Isaiah 61: <u>6</u> And you will be called priests of the Lord, you will be named ministers of our God. You will feed on the wealth of nations, and in their riches you will boast. <u>7</u>Instead of your shame you will receive a double portion, The Guaranties of God and instead of disgrace you will rejoice in your inheritance. And so you will inherit a double portion in your land, and everlasting joy will be yours.

1 Samuel 30:26 When David reached Ziklag, he sent some of the plunder to the elders of Judah, who were his friends, saying, "Here is a gift for you from the plunder of the Lord's enemies."

<u>27</u>David sent it to those who were in Bethel, Ramoth Negev and Jattir; <u>28</u>to those in Aroer, Siphmoth, Eshtemoa <u>29</u>and Rakal; to those in the towns of the Jerahmeelites and the Kenites; <u>30</u>to those in Hormah, Bor Ashan, Athak <u>31</u>and Hebron; and to those in all the other places where he and his men had roamed.

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- (2) You shall recover all