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I. David WEPT!

II. David STRENGTHENED himself in the Lord.

III. David INQUIRED of the Lord.

IV. David WENT in obedience to what the Lord told him to do.

V. David PURSUED the enemy in spite of another setback.

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VI. David FOUND God's provision for victory.

11 They found an Egyptian in a field and brought him to David. They gave him water to drink and food to eat— 12 part of a cake of pressed figs and two cakes of raisins. He ate and was revived, for he had not eaten any food or drunk any water for three days and three nights.

13 David asked him, "To whom do you belong, and where do you come from?"

He said, "I am an Egyptian, the slave of an Amalekite.

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My master abandoned me when I became ill three days ago. 14 We raided the Negev of the Kerethites and the territory belonging to Judah and the Negev of Caleb. And we burned Ziklag."

15 David asked him, "Can you lead me down to this raiding party?"

He answered, "Swear to me before God that you will not kill me or hand me over to my master, and I will take you down to them."

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16 He led David down, and there they were, scattered over the countryside, eating, drinking and reveling because of the great amount of plunder they had taken from the land of the Philistines and from Judah.

VI. David FOUND God's provision for victory.

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1 Cor 10:13 “No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it”.

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“No temptation,

temptation is a desire to engage in short-term urges for enjoyment, that threatens long-term goals.

In the Bible the word temptation primarily denotes a trial in which man has a free choice of being faithful or unfaithful to God; only secondarily does it signify allurements or seduction to sin.

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VII. David ATTACKED the enemy.

17 David fought them from dusk until the evening of the next day, and none of them got away, except four hundred young men who rode off on camels and fled.

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Eph 6:11-12 “Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.”

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James 4:7 “Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.”

The most challenging part of that verse is the first part.

In fact, you get fully submitted to God and resisting the devil is relatively easy.

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VIII. David RECOVERED what the enemy had stolen.

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

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**The Church of Jesus
Christ is authorized and
empowered to take back
what the enemy has
stolen.**

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IX. David SHARED the spoils of his victory.

23 David replied, "No, my brothers, you must not do that with what the LORD has given us. He has protected us and handed over to us the forces that came against us. 24 Who will listen to what you say? The share of the man who stayed with the supplies is to be the same as that of him who went down to the battle. All will share alike." 25 David made this a statute and ordinance for Israel from that day to this.

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26 When David arrived in Ziklag, he sent some of the plunder to the elders of Judah, who were his friends, saying, "Here is a present for you from the plunder of the LORD's enemies."

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2 Sam 1:1 opens with these words, “Now it came to pass after the death of Saul, when David had returned from the slaughter of the Amalekites, and David had stayed two days in Ziklag, 2 on the third day, behold, it happened that a man came from Saul’s camp with his clothes torn and dust on his head....” That man told David about Saul’s death.

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2 Sam 2:1 “It happened after this that David inquired of the LORD, saying, ‘Shall I go up to any of the cities of Judah?’ And the LORD said to him, ‘Go up.’ David said, ‘Where shall I go up?’ And He said, ‘To Hebron.’”

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Here is an interesting parallel to our text in 1 Sam. 30. Both begin with “It happened....” Look at the amazing contrast to what happened. 1 Sam. 30 begins with one of the worst days in David’s life. 2 Sam. 2:1 opens the door for one of the best days in David’s life. In both cases David is careful to inquire of the Lord. In both cases David does exactly what God tells him to do.

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2 Sam 2:4 “Then the men of Judah came, and there they anointed David king over the house of Judah....”

David's SETBACK has been transformed into an awesome TAKE OVER!

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