



KING DAVID

A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

“O Absalom, my son, my son!”

Lessons in Fatherhood from David

Where David went wrong ...

1. He ignored God's commands about marriage
(2 Sam 3:1-5; 5:13; Deut 17:17)
2. He didn't deal with a family crisis (2 Sam 13)
3. He wasn't involved (2 Sam 13: 23-25)
4. He didn't take action to reconcile (2 Sam 13,14)
5. He didn't deal with deceitfulness (2 Sam 15:1-6)

David was an absent father !

God's Way of Fatherhood



For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children, **encouraging, comforting and urging** you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom and glory.

- 1 Thess 2:11-12

Children, obey your parents as you would the Lord, because this is right. Honour your father and mother, which is the first commandment with a promise, so that it may go well with you and that you may have a long life in the land. Fathers, **don't stir up anger** in your children, but **bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.**

- Eph 6:1-3