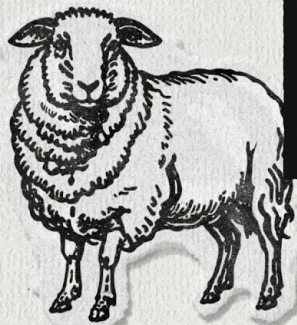


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Last Words and Legacies

2 SAMUEL 23

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2 Samuel 23

1 Now these are the last words of David:

The declaration of David son of Jesse,

the declaration of the man raised on high,

the one anointed by the God of Jacob.

This is the most delightful of Israel's songs.



2 Samuel 23

2 "The Spirit of the Lord spoke through me; his word was on my tongue.

3 The God of Israel spoke; the Rock of Israel said to me:

The one who rules the people with justice, who rules in the fear of God,

4 is like the morning light when the sun rises on a cloudless morning, the
glisten

of rain on sprouting grass."



Fear of the Lord

“Awe and wonder...I am afraid to offend or dishonor that person....if you fear the Lord you won't be afraid of anything else or be enslaved by anything else.”

Tim Keller

“Fearing God means that God is, in your mind and heart, so powerful and so holy and so awesome that you would not dare to run away from him but only run to him”

John Piper



Fear of the Lord

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? 4 But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared. Psalm

130:3-4

The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear him. Psalm

25:14

How abundant is your goodness, which you have stored up for those who fear you.

Psalm 31:19



As high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast

Fear of the Lord

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and discipline.

Proverbs 1:7

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding

Proverbs 9:10



2 Samuel 23

5 Is it not true my house is with God? For he has established a permanent covenant with me, ordered and secured in every detail. Will he not bring about my whole salvation and my every desire?

6 But all the wicked are like thorns raked aside; they can never be picked up by hand.

7 The man who touches them must be armed with iron and the shaft of a spear. They will be completely burned up on the spot.



2 Samuel 23

- Josheb-bassheth the Tahchemonite – killed 800 men at one time (v.8)
- Eleazar son of Dodo – troops retreated but he stayed to fight victoriously alone (v.9-10)
- Shammah son of Agee the Hararite – fought by himself defeating the Philistines (v. 11-13)
- The 3 who fetched David water from Bethlehem (v. 13-17)
- Abishai, Joab's brother – killed 300 men (v. 18-19)
- Benaiah son of Jehoiada – killed 2 sons of Ariel, a lion and an impressive Egyptian (v. 20-22)



Lasting Words and Actions

36 I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every careless word they speak, 37 for by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.

Matthew 12:36–37

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

2 Corinthians 5:10



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Only One Life, Twill Soon Be Past

by C.T. Studd

Two little lines I heard one day, Traveling along life's busy way;
Bringing conviction to my heart, And from my mind would not depart;
Only one life, 'twill soon be past, Only what's done for Christ will last.

Only one life, yes only one, Soon will its fleeting hours be done;
Then, in 'that day' my Lord to meet, And stand before His Judgement
seat;



Only One Life, Twill Soon Be Past

by C.T. Studd

Only one life, the still small voice, Gently pleads for a better choice
Bidding me selfish aims to leave, And to God's holy will to cleave;

Only one life, a few brief years, Each with its burdens, hopes, and fears;
Each with its days I must fulfill. living for self or in His will;



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Oh let my love with fervor burn, And from the world now let me turn;
Living for Thee, and Thee alone, Bringing Thee pleasure on Thy throne;

Only one life, yes only one, Now let me say, "Thy will be done";
And when at last I'll hear the call, I know I'll say "twas worth it all";
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