****March 12, 2017**

**People Get Ready– Part 4**

**The Church as an army: (Part 2)**

**King David and his Mighty Men**

*Helpers in the war*

**1 Chronicles 12:1**

*Now these were the men who came to David at Ziklag while he was still a fugitive from Saul the son of Kish; and they were among the mighty men, helpers in the war,****2****armed with bows, using both the right hand and the left in hurling stones and shooting arrows with the bow. They were of Benjamin, Saul’s brethren.*

**Men of valor – vs 8**

*8 Some Gadites joined David at the stronghold in the wilderness,*

Offense & defense combination

Like lions: righteousness makes you bold

Gazelles: sure footed, robust, handle new territory.

**Connecting with leadership – vs 16**

**Divine purpose Vs 23**

We are **assured** **of victory**: why get in a fight you are going to lose!?

Faith **from** a position of victory not **towards** one: we now **enforce** satan’s defeat.

**A sense of timing – Vs 32**

With any plan, there is **timing** that is important. Now is a time of preparation: our hearts & the facility.

**Sense of purpose & priority – Vs 38**

King David is a type of Christ (the ‘son of David’). Keep rank / loyalty / unity (of one mind – not differing agendas)

**Final Take Away & Communion**

Table talk

**Joyful anticipation – Vs 39-40**

After the cross came Pentecost – a celebratory outpouring of God’s Spirit

Our Father’s delight is to see His children revel in His goodness

**Establish God’s presence as priority - I Chronicles 13:3**

David was a man after God’s heart because he **valued God’s presence**.

**Notes**

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