

## Transforming the Unfit

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*Text: "And every one that was in distress, and every one that was in debt, and everyone that was discontented, gathered themselves unto him; and he became a captain over them" (I Samuel 22:2).*

[Editor's Note: I thought it would be interesting to put up a couple of Rev. Robinson's sermons in original form. Most of them are not in good enough shape to scan like this, but this one works well as a scan. You will see typos and misspelled words and notes penciled in, some of which are illegible. Although he typed many of his sermons, the typewriter he used was quite primitive and makes the copy hard to read, especially with the aging of the paper.]

TRANSFORMING THE UNFIT. 1 Samuel. 22:2

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The stories of David make facinating reading. They tough life at all points.. His remarkable character is seen in the appeal he had for his fellowmen.

His resourcefulness seemed so exmaustable when in all of conflicts and difficulties he comes off a conquerer.

- ① As a Shepherd lad a lion and a bear came and took a Lamb from the flock. He smote the lion and took the lamb. Then the lion attacked Him and he took him by the beard and slew him.
  - ② He met Goliath and with one smoothe stone killed him.
  - ③ In all of Sauls diabelical plots to have him killed and to slay him himself David escaped out of His hands.
  - ④ His swift ,alertness saved him from Sauls javlin.
  - ⑤ He fled from Saul and came to Achish king of Gath and was recognized. But he feigned insanity and wrote on the gates and walls and let his spittal run down his beard. They ran him a way.
  - ⑥ When he hid in the Cave he took his father and mother and persuaded His enemy the king of Moab to take care of them until he was delivered.  
*He The Priest into giving Him the show bread*  
David is a Type of Christ in some respects.
- He lived in Turbulunt times and the passage from the Sheepfold to the throne was no easy road.
- His greatness is seen in the way he commanded the respect and loyalty of needy men.
- At the Cave of Adullum the sorry, rejects, the unfit gathered and were trained into mighty men of valor.

The chaotic conditions that prevaiked in those days because of false methody of Government were much like the conditions that prevail in our own day.

The national people were in ~~some~~ deep debt because of the oppresive taxation of Government.

They were in sore distress because of their righteous indignation over wrongs.

They were discontent because of the national disharmony and insecurity caused by faulty government.

SAUL WAS IN A PALACE--- DAVID WAS IN A CAVE AND THE MEN WHO CAME TO DAVID WERE THE Rejects of Human society.

How like that Other David Who rejected by his Own gathered about him in the foothills of Judea the unlettered fisherman of Galilee) who turned the world upside down.

Herod sat on the throne and Jesus worked in the Carpenters shop But Herpd was eaten with worms and Jesus became the King of King and Lord of Lords.

THE news filtered through Palestine and Men in distress gathered to David.

When the government is misused, when wrong sits on the throne, when evil men are in control and carry out their designs by false use of the law. Good men are in distress.

Mental Stress\*\* --The care of a Duvine Providence cannot be reconciled with tragedy, suffering, fear and anxiety.

Physican suffering; Not only are we suffering mental distress but Physical. T is world is a suffering old world.

Every day there is bloodshed, death and physical torture. Broken bruised bodies are common news now.

MORAL SUFFERING: There is distress in our moral order. The innocent being defiled and poisoned and demoralized daily. Mankind protests and rebels, ONLY IN CHRIST is deliverence

## THOSE IN DEBT.

THE GOVERNMENT OF HAD TAKEN ITS TOLL IN TAXATION AND MEN WERE IN DEBT A DEBT THEY COULD NOT PAY.

SIN sinks man into a debt that he cannot pay. The time worn picture of man under the taskmaster of sin is that of slavery and debt.

Man cannot raise enough to pay his mortgage. He is bankrupt and a beggar. He must go down or flee to David.

## THOSE IN DISCONTENT.

This is a deeper ill, worse than physical. It is a bitterness of soul. That develops after long distress and pressure of evil.

This is a hardness and callous condition that enters the soul like iron. Almost impossible to get over.

Men become lawless. They defy authority and disharmony reigns in society. He comes to the place that he is ready to defy God.

MEN IN DISTRESS---SEEK SECURITY

MEN IN DEBT----- SEEK A SETTLEMENT.

MEN DISCONTENTED--- ~~SEEK~~ SATISFACTION.

These Rejects, these derelicts, these failures, these outcasts of society gathered to David.

He trained them, he talked to them, he drilled them.

He told them <sup>put</sup> within them the will to live. The desire to get up and fight again.

Read the memoirs of King David.

Walk down the corridors of His hall of fame, Look at the list of his Mighty men. <sup>Read</sup> by their names their deeds of valor.

The Legend of King Arthur and the knights of the round Table make poor reading compared to the memoirs of David and his ragamuffin band from the Cave of Adullam.

The only Chapter in human history comparapable to this one is that immortal 11th chapter of Hebrews, where the men and women of Faith who through faith SUBDUED KINGDOMS

WROUGHT RIGHTEOUSNESS, OBTAINED PROMISES, STOPPED THE

MOUTHS OF LIONS, QUINCHED THE VIOLENCE OF FIRE, ESCAPED

THE EDGE OF THE SWORD, OUT OF WEAKNESS WERE MADE STRONG,

WAXED VALIANT IN FIGHT, TURNED TO FLIGHT THE ARMIES

OF THE ALIENS.

It can be believed as we remember it is Holy record and God was with them.

1- ADINO, Lifted up his sword against eight hundred whom he slew at one time.

2- Eleazer\*- Left alone when Philistines attacked. He fought till his sword cleave to his hand.

3- Benaiah; Slew two lionlike men-of moab, Slew a lion in a pit in time of snow. Slew an Egyptian who was eight feet tall, he had a staff, the Egyptians spear was like a weavers beam.

4- Jeabs brother\* --Slew three hundred at one time.

5- The three -Went to the well of Bethlehem and brought water to David.

Memory created desire.

Oh that someone would bring me water from the well of  
Bethlehem that is by the gate.

Desire inspired devotion.

Three men heard and went and got the water.

Devotion developed Reverence.

David poured the water out as an Offering to God.

Peaceful Galatians

7 Kings 2 - (12:13)

- I @ Power to Bring Revival  
Church. (Valley Full of Flocks)
- (a) (Passage - poison)
  - (b) (Healing Nazerim) (Both he was a Jew)
  - (c) (Courtesans) (Shazim)
  - (d) (Revised Lust as he)
  - (e) (Ben-hadad) (Prod. his mind)

His Body raised to God.

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