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Michal ~ Hebrew name meaning “Who is like God?”

1 Samuel 18

Devoted to the Right Cause

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"Therefore I urge you, brothers, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God; this is your spiritual worship." (Romans 12:1)

When enemy lines and territory are crossed, boldness and a heart for God are required to make it through. But what happens when you find yourself torn between both sides? Have you ever found yourself having to choose between two worlds? What was your decision? What if you didn't have a choice?

Michal, whose name means “Who is like God?” or “The Brook” in Hebrew, was a woman who seemed to be torn between two worlds. Falling in love with a shepherd boy who made beautiful songs, she would soon become his wife. Her valor was worth far much more to David than any other woman, so he put his life at risk and went to battle, collecting 200 Philistine foreskins just to win her hand in marriage. What was her gift? Was it being a princess to a scorned king? Was she radiant in beauty and worthy to be praised? I believe she had the gift of being honest to to the Lord and was awarded the gift of being a wife. Later on, she would protect her husband and assist him in fleeing from her demonically possessed father who was losing his throne, his self esteem, and more importantly, the favor of God. Michal stood up for the right thing by hiding David and making a decoy out of straw beneath the sheets of the bed they shared. She even went as far as telling her father that he was ill and couldn't attend the banquet feast when her father was looking for him. She was devoted to the right cause of being a good wife and standing up for the true and only King, El Roi! What would you have done? How would you have felt being in her shoes? Would you be devoted to the right cause?

Let's Pray.

Dear God, our Father, merciful in all of your ways, let us walk in faith and boldness and newness in You. Let us walk and not get weary. Let us rise on wings of eagles that soar, let us faint not and stand up for the devoted cause of serving You and being in relationship with You always until the end of time.

Amen

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above....James 1:17