

Foundation Scriptures: Joshua 24:15 & Matthew 22:14

I. What is God looking for?

A. II Chronicles 16:9

- 1. This is how you go from the "many" to the "few".
- 2. Remember, everyone has received an invitation...but few will actually accept it and then show up to the gathering (From the trumpet call to His chosen).
- 3. What is God looking for? The heart that is perfect (complete) toward Him.
 - The N.T. story is about how one man (Jesus) came to give opportunity to anyone who would accept Him. People received healing, peace, and life when they yielded their hearts to receive from Him.
 - The choosing of the 12 disciples was all about finding people who were willing and ready....not one of them "had it all together". This is proof alone that there is hope for us all!

B. I Samuel 16:4-7, vs. 11-12

- 1. God is not interested in your looks, your past, your accomplishments....none of those things move Him at all. He is not looking for someone that "fits in". He needs someone who has the heart to COMPLETE the task!
 - This is it....Do you see it? The mistakes that people make along the way....not the stipulation that He is looking for....He knows people have opportunity to make wrong choices during the journey; God is looking for someone that will always come back to Him....this is called loyalty.
 - Heart check today: Are you more concerned about what others think of you than God?
- 2. Acts 13:22 "A man after mine own heart"
 - Let's remember, David made good choices and bad choices....but when he made the bad ones, He always repented and came back to God.
 - **Proverbs 3:5** "Trust in the Lord with all your HEART...."
 - **Deuteronomy 6:5** "Love the Lord with all your HEART..."

II. Chosen – Highly Favored

A. Genesis 39:1-6

- 1. When you have God's favor, you have His anointing.
- 2. Things happen in your life that do not happen for others (This is what being chosen is all about....set apart for a greater purpose).
- B. The Strength of David and the Favor of Joseph
 - 1. "It is not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, says the Lord..."
 - 2. Walk in the anointing, Walk in His favor, Speak as His Ambassador, Be a Witness for the goodness of God!