

KING DAVID THE “SINLESS”?

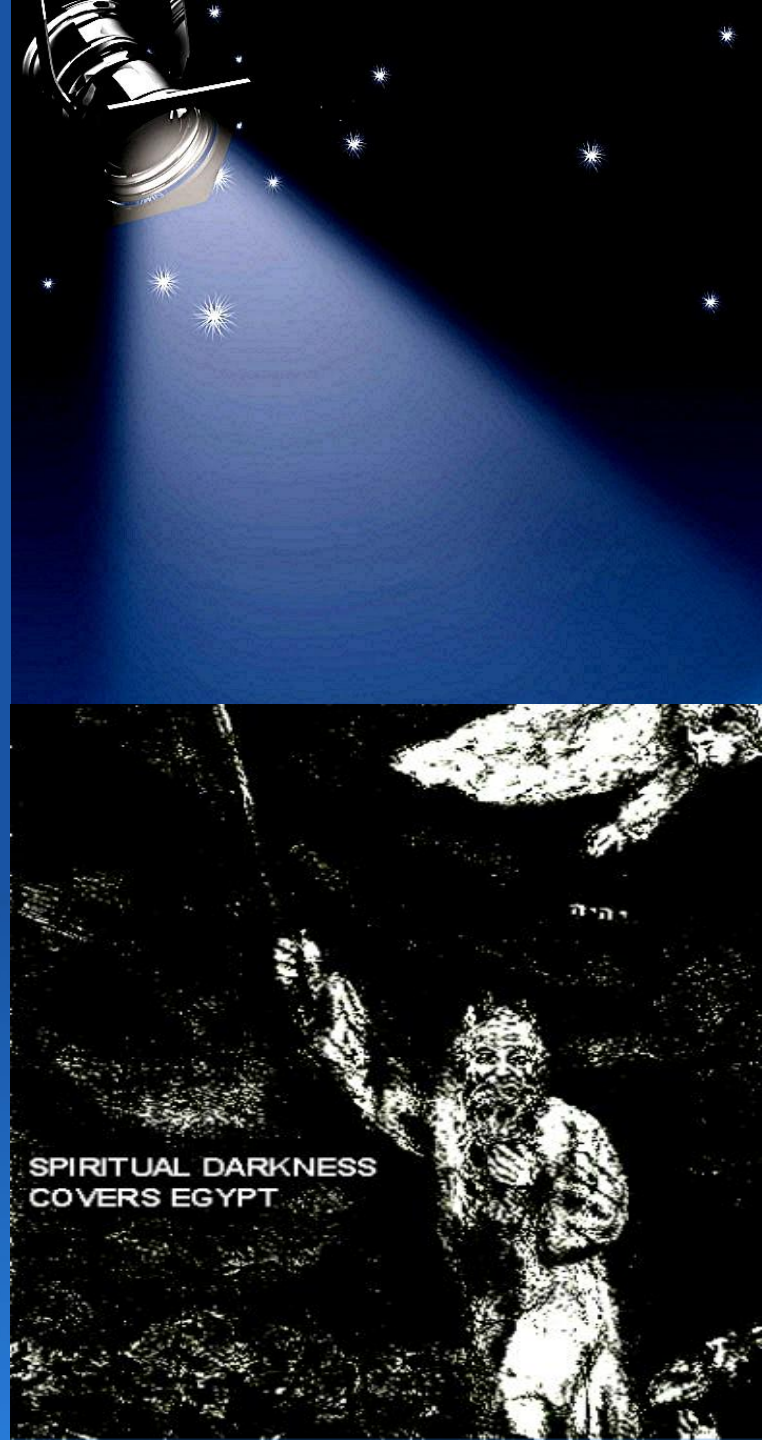


- David essentially says his deliverances by God were merited
- *Tzedekah* = righteous justice
- *'avon* = guilt, depravity
- 2nd Sam 12 Nathan delivers God's oracle of curse upon David
- No mention of David admitting sins and then being forgiven for them



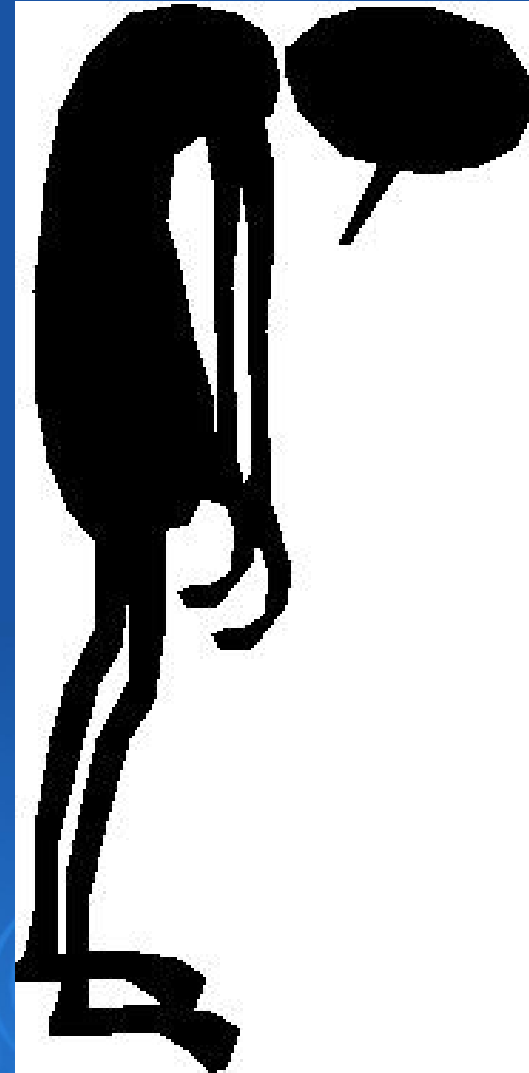
DARKNESS

- 2nd Sam 22:29 – 32
- Darkness = obscurity and blindness
- A lamp and illumination = truth, deliverance, salvation
- *Choshek* = spiritual darkness
- Choshek was spread over Egypt to help free God's people
- Darkness of mind = depression
- God delivers HIS PEOPLE
- God does NOT deliver people who are NOT His, although He might help them to achieve a larger divine purpose



DEPRESSION

- David at times suffered from a normal kind of depression
- King Saul's depression was mental illness, including paranoia
- Saul's depression was from a spiritual source due to his rebellion
- God CAN deliver from mental illness
- Depression and mental illness in a Believer is NOT from lack of faith
- We must cry out to the Lord for help, but also be aware that it can be a legitimate medical condition to be treated with medicine and prayer



“Who is God but Adonai?”

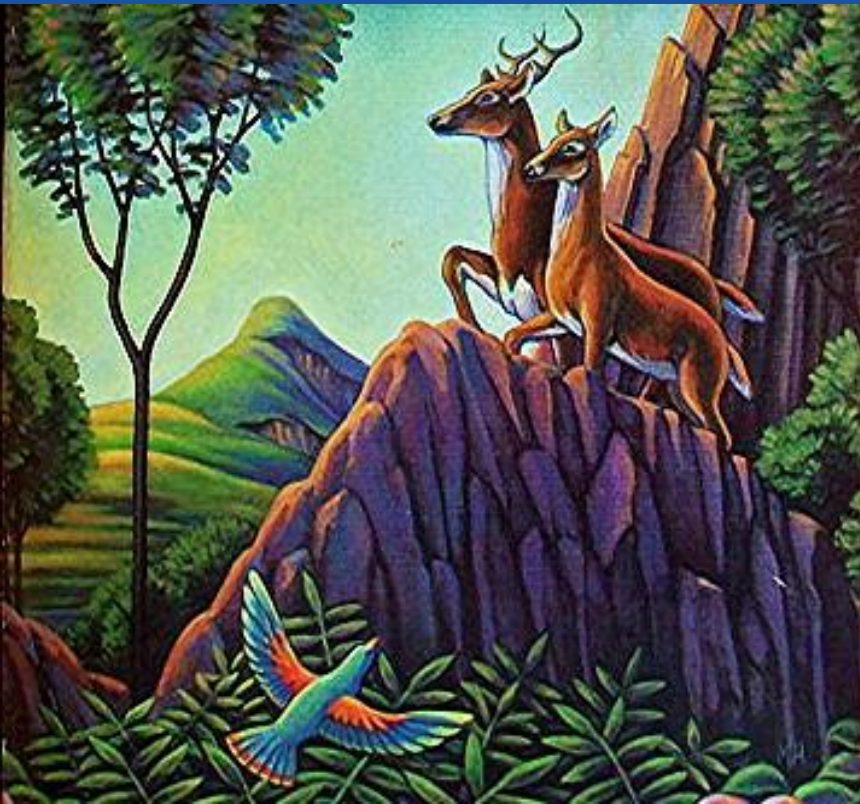


- Who is El but YHWH
- David says that Israel's El is the ultimate El
- **Ha'Elyon** = The Most High El
- God's name is YHWH
- God is not Allah, Buddha, the ol' man upstairs, the generic intelligence of the Universe



HIGH PLACES

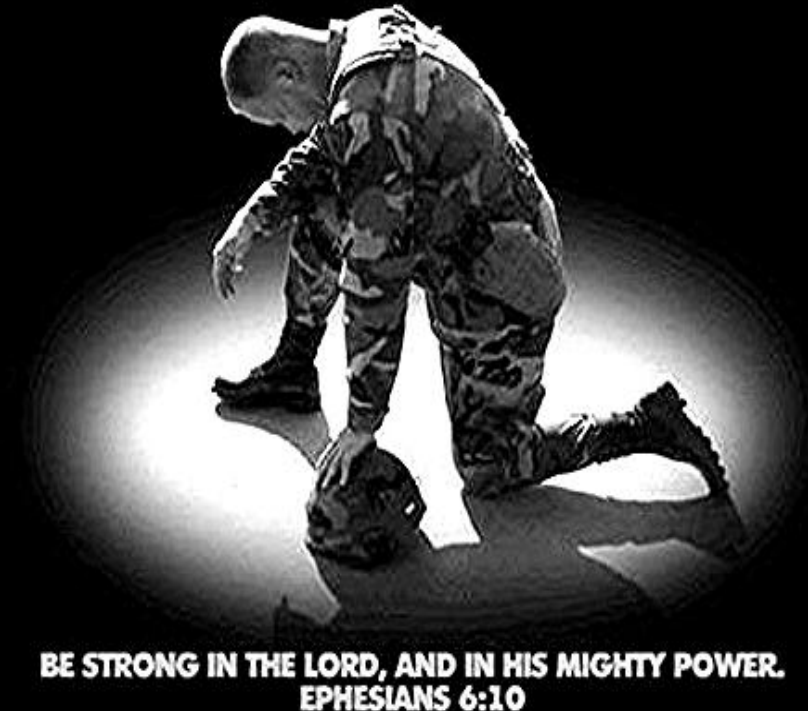
- 2nd Sam 22:33 – 37
- My way = my manner and my behavior that mimics God's way
- Straight = true, without fault
- *Bemah* = high places
- All gods had their “high places”



THE BOW OF BRONZE

- David credits the Lord with equipping him for Holy War
- Lord gives David the strength to wield a bronze bow
- Prayer is the Believer's bronze bow
- God's shield IS salvation!
- We cannot manufacture that shield, or conjure up it up from within us
- It is a gift from God, sent through time and space

**THE TASK AHEAD OF YOU,
IS NEVER AS GREAT
AS THE POWER BEHIND
YOU.**



The Cord of Change



WE ARE THE TOOLS OF HOLY WAR

- God's Kingdom (Canaan) to be rid of all who didn't belong there
- NOT a requirement that all Canaanites be killed
- Rahab is an example of conversion by free will, not force
- We are an Unequal partner in a co-operative venture with God
- We are tools wielded by the Master

LORD.....LORD !!!



- An enemy looking to their own gods looks to an empty suit
- But an enemy cannot hope to approach Israel's God either
- It was believed that knowing a god's name and how to please them could buy that god's favor
- YHWH pays no attention to Israel's enemies pleas for help

TO THE JEW FIRST

... then to the uttermost parts of the earth Romans 1:16

- David sees his dominion over Israel as a prelude to his dominion over the gentile nations Romans 1:16
- Vs. 45 is a very difficult translation
- Rabbis say that it is that gentile foreigners conceal the truth of their real beliefs to avoid confrontation with David
- 2nd Sam 22:50
- The Grace showered up David is so awesome that the praises raised up to such a holy God had to be raised up by the gentile nations as well
- This story and song of deliverance was not so much about David as it was prophetic of his forever seed, culminating with Christ



2nd SAMUEL 23

- NOT David's last words
- 1Kings 2 David gives instructions to Solomon
- Chapter 23 could be called a Prophetic Will and Testament of David
- This song is David's final Oracle
- An expansion of Balaam's Oracle of Numbers 24
- Progressive Revelation

