



WAITING *Well*

Waiting For the Road to Clear
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Timeline of David's Life		
Age 15	Samuel anoints David as future king	1 Samuel 16
Age 15	David returns home to shepherd the flock	1 Samuel 16
Age 16	David serves in King Saul's court as musician	1 Samuel 16
Age 17	David defeats Goliath in the Valley of Elah	1 Samuel 17
Age 17	Jonathan and David form a covenant friendship	1 Samuel 18
Age 17	David gains national popularity	1 Samuel 18
Age 17	David avoids assassination attempt	1 Samuel 18
Age 17	David excels as a military commander	1 Samuel 18
Age 18	David avoids more assassination attempts	1 Samuel 19
Age 18-21	David runs for his life	1 Samuel 19-26
Age 21-29	David hides at Ziklag/Hebron	1 Samuel 27-31



1. GUARD YOUR HEART

Proverbs 4:23

APPLAUSE

(1 Samuel 18:6-7)

An unguarded heart
allows affirmation to
DISTRACT you.

OPPOSITION

*(1 Samuel 18:10b-11,
1 Samuel 19:1, 1 Samuel 19:11)*

An unguarded heart
allows opposition to
DISCOURAGE you.

1 Samuel 24:1-4, 1 Samuel 24:10-13



When you're waiting on God, your greatest responsibility isn't CONTROLLING your circumstances, it's PROTECTING your heart.

2. OPEN YOUR HEART

1 Samuel 23:15-16, Psalm 142:3-4, Psalm 54:1-4, Psalm 57:1-3, Psalm 34:2-3; 8-11

"Sometimes we must wait for God to do as we ask because the answer involves changes in other people, or sometimes even ourselves, and that kind of change always takes time."

– Dallas Willard



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- RECALL what you know to be true about God
- SAY what you desire confidently
- WAIT for God's answer

Philippians 4:6-7

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