

Michal & David: A Tragic Tale

2 Samuel 6

Michal

She loved David

Youngest daughter of Saul after her older sister was given to someone else
Saul demanded 100 Philistine foreskins, David gave 200

Helped David escape Saul

As a fugitive David married Abigail and Ahinoam

Saul gives Michal away to be married to another man named Palti

After the death of Saul David demands that she be returned to him
before he will negotiate with Saul's heir – she is returned.

First wife of 8 Wives

David had 18 children but none with Michal.

She has no children.

Crux

When David celebrates and dances before the Ark, she despises him.

She is concerned about how he, King of Israel appears to the people

Even the slave girls!

David explains that he danced before God and for God.

Meaning

There are no Heroes in the Bible save one.

David just cannot get his family life together.

Michal who once loved David, despises him.

How do marriages made in heaven end up in hell?

Both have a ton of baggage.

But in the end they did not connect, did not understand, one another.

David, took on other women – a stupid thing.

Men, have eyes only for your wife.

Don't even allow the suspicion of impropriety.

There is a reason why all our elders use Covenant eyes.

Michal was first, among many.

David was a warrior but he was a terrible husband and father.

You may do well in your career, but you can wreck your family.

I will tell you now, your career does not matter to God.

It's how you relate to others.

Michal, on the other hand had expectations of David that were her own.

The more you love someone, the more you hate them

When they disappoint you.

The more it hurts.

In some cases, you can forgive and move on

But David is Michal's husband – there is no moving on.

And so when he dances before God

She does not know his heart.

She assumes he's being an idiot.

She does not understand his relationship with God.

She is embittered towards David.

Her sarcasm is evident and she wounds David.

She drives him away.

How about your relationships?

Do you understand others or do you look just at yourself?

Husbands and wives, do you respect your spouse?

Are you worthy of respect or do you get that jab in?

Communicate clearly, don't disrespect or you will be done.

We are not told what happens afterwards except that she has no children.

But we assume things are not well, for we do not hear of her again.

Question:

What Relationships do you need to Restore & Redeem?