David: A Man After God's Heart

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Introduction: We have been tracing the life of David.

- 1. He was a man after God's heart and made Israel great.
- 2. He was not perfect.
- 3. As we approach the end of our study, we will see that imperfection once again.
- 4. Sin may be somewhat unavoidable, but we cannot live there. Instead, we must learn from our mistakes and make progress in our spiritual journeys as a result.
- 5. David is a great role model here.
- 6. As we consider his example, we can learn to turn our failures into success.
- I. The Underlying Events
 - A. Satanic Influence
 - B. Misplaced Faith
 - C. Accountability
- II. The Process Of Recovery
 - A. Identifying The Problem

- B. Accepting Responsibility
- C. Seeking Forgiveness
- D. Making Amends

Conclusion: We have all made mistakes.

- 1. Our mistakes are not the problem.
- 2. How we respond is the difference between growth and decline.
- 3. Because that is true:
 - Practice self-examination.
 - Confront error immediately.
 - Make amends where possible.
- 4. As we do, we turn failure into growth!