

HE SUFFERED DEATH AND WAS BURIED, AND ROSE AGAIN ON THE THIRD DAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE

The saints were not born saints, and they weren't perfect. They were men and women like you and me who realized that the world's vision for them was bankrupt, so they turned to God and his vision for their lives. They created one holy moment at a time, and over the course of their lives they strung together thousands of holy moments to create a holy life. You can do that too.

Holiness is possible, and once we come to that realization everything changes and possibilities we never considered before open up before us.



## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. WHO IS THE HOLIEST PERSON YOU KNOW? WHAT MAKES THAT PERSON HOLY?

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2. WHO IS YOUR FAVORITE SAINT? WHY?

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3. WHAT'S ONE THING YOU HAVE LEARNED THROUGHOUT THE DECISION POINT EXPERIENCE THAT SURPRISED YOU?

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# discussion questions



1. WHO DO YOU KNOW WHO DOES LITTLE THINGS WITH GREAT LOVE?

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2. WHAT LITTLE THINGS CAN YOU DO WITH GREAT LOVE TODAY?

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3. WHAT DOES TODAY'S CULTURE THINK ABOUT DOING LITTLE THINGS WITH GREAT LOVE?

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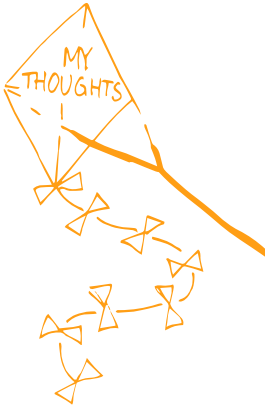
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## WHO WAS DAVID?

David was an ancestor of Jesus (c. 1040 BC–970 BC) and perhaps the most brilliant leader of ancient Israel. He had the mind and charisma to inspire a great nation. In other ways he was a very ordinary man who struggled with destructive passion and was motivated at times by political gain. Yet through it all he had a deep love of God. The Bible describes David as a man after God's own heart (Acts 13:22).

When David was just a boy he was summoned to play music for King Saul in order to cure his melancholy. David also gained fame in his youth when he killed the Philistine Goliath with his slingshot. After Saul died, David rose to power and became King of Israel, uniting the twelve tribes.

the pledge. Read it slowly, pray about it, and sign it. Say yes to God and his Church, and say yes enthusiastically. Not just a whimpering, passive yes, but a wholehearted and enthusiastic YES.

Your Catholic faith will always be a part of you. You get to decide if it is going to be something powerful and positive, or something negative and misunderstood.

God has a plan. When we don't play our part, the whole thing falls apart. It's all connected. Imagine if Mary had said no. Her yes has touched every person who has lived for two thousand years. You see, every decision made by every person echoes down through history.

Sometimes I wonder if the reason we don't have a cure for cancer, AIDS, and Alzheimer's is because the people who were going to find those cures were among the fifty-five million children who have been aborted in the United States since *Roe v. Wade*. God had a plan for every one of those children, just as he has a plan for you. You have a part to play in God's plan for the world.

You might be tempted to think, "Oh, I'm nobody special; God doesn't have any special plans for me." But that would be a mistake. Read Chapter 17 of the first book of Samuel for a great example. David's father sent him to take food to his brothers, who were in the army. When he got there Goliath, the enormous and much feared Philistine, was daring the Israelites to fight him, but they were all too afraid. David said to king Saul, "I'll fight him." Saul told him he could not because David, who was little more than a child, was too young. David and Saul went back and forth and finally the king agreed. The rest is history. David slew Goliath, and in time God made this lowly shepherd boy the king of his people.

David made himself available.

God uses the most unlikely people to do his greatest work. As you read the Bible, you'll discover that he almost never uses those in positions of power and authority; he doesn't necessarily use the most educated, or the best looking, or even the most qualified. Whom does God use to do his most powerful work here on earth? He uses the people who make themselves available to him. How available are you to God? Ten percent, 50 percent, 95 percent? Or are you 100 percent available for whatever God calls you to today?

Want to see something truly incredible? Make yourself available to God.



# DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. ARE YOU READY TO LET GOD COME AND FILL YOU UP IN ALL THE WAYS YOU NEED AND WANT TO BE FILLED?

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2. WHAT HAVE YOU SAID YES TO IN THE PAST THAT YOU KNEW WAS NOT FOR YOU?

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3. HOW AVAILABLE ARE YOU TO GOD TODAY?

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**QUESTIONS**

1. WHAT NEW HABIT HAVE YOU DEVELOPED SINCE YOU STARTED THIS PROGRAM?

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2. WHAT IS THE BEST IDEA YOU HEARD DURING THE ENTIRE EXPERIENCE?

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3. WHAT IS ONE THING YOU CAN DO THIS WEEK TO BETTER PREPARE YOURSELF FOR CONFIRMATION?

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# JOURNAL QUESTIONS

1. WHAT ARE YOUR DREAMS?

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2. WHAT CROSS ARE YOU CARRYING AT THIS TIME IN YOUR LIFE?

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3. WHAT DO YOU HOPE YOUR LIFE WILL BE LIKE FIVE YEARS FROM NOW?

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