

God Will Not Reject Us

Part one of the series, "Made for Greatness: After God's Heart"

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Main Thought:

Sometimes in life, we will experience rejection by others. Rejection can be painful, but we must remember that God still loves us. In the Bible, David was forgotten and rejected by his family. David's family rejected the possibility that he could be the next king of Israel. But because God saw that David was faithful to Him in everything he did, He chose David to be the next king. Instead of focusing on how others reject us, we should focus on being faithful to God in all that we do and trust that He will be faithful to us.

God has chosen us even when others reject us.

"But the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.'" (1 Samuel 16:7 NIV)

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." (Ephesians 2:10 NIV)

"...Then the Lord said, 'Rise and anoint him; this is the one.' So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the Lord came powerfully upon David." (1 Samuel 16:12-13 NIV)

Discussion Questions:

- Share about a time you experienced rejection (from a family member, friend, classmate, teacher, teammate, etc.). What happened and how did you feel?
- Along with God, who else can you talk to when you feel rejected? Why do you trust that person?

Prayer:

- Pray for each other to be faithful in serving God in our families, friend groups, and schools.
- Pray for a friend that is facing rejection. Then, share God's love with them this week.