

## 1 Samuel 18 • The Greater Test of Faith

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1. (v.1-5) As with all leaders of God, David was tested in the course of his **popularity**. If someone cannot love on a **personal** level, they will not effectively love at the **corporate** level when carrying out their ministry and calling.
2. (v.6-11) David's practice of love led to **faithfulness** while Saul's lack of love led to **unfaithfulness**.
3. (v.12-16) It takes faith to experience a **demotion** in the eyes of everyone around us and still maintain our **humility** and **service**.
4. (v.17-30) David's faith was tested in the presence of **disappointment**, first in the person of **Saul** who did not keep his word, then by the **wife** David ultimately was given.