

PG taught us that the 3 keys to revival is Faith, Dominion, and People Skills. Each one contributing to the fruitfulness of a minister, a couple, a congregation. This simple statement & lesson formed a ministry approach early on that very much helped me stay focused to the commission, but also helped me to earn incredible favor with people. It set a course, but over time I have come to recognize the genius of this statement!

In the passage we are going to look at; We see this very idea in Jonathan; he had FIGHT and a Tenderness in relationships... We see the heart of a warrior, and the heart of a friend... This is the heart we need as Shepherds of God. Hearts of FIGHT and Hearts of Compassion.

1 Samuel 20:34 NIV Jonathan got up from the table in fierce anger; on that second day of the feast he did not eat, because he was grieved at his father's shameful treatment of David.

I MINISTRY HATS:

A- PG said one morning in discipleship; Anything you want to be in life, be a Pastor, because you will do it all!

1. There are many "hats" a minister in our fellowship wears...
2. As a Pastor you are a preacher, counselor, accountant, lease reviewer, building project manager, custodian...
 - a. A wedding planner, a wedding officiator, family counselor, detective, good cop, bad cop, negotiator...
 - b. A carpenter, a plumber, an electrician, masonry worker, roofer, mechanic, landscaper...
 - c. A husband, a father, a grief counselor, motivational speaker, life coach, friend, reference point, example, a discipler, a teacher, a scholar...

B- So; in our passage We see Jonathan expressing 2 contrasting responses to the same circumstance-

1. V34 Jonathan got up from the table in fierce anger; on that second day of the feast he did not eat, because he was grieved at his father's shameful treatment of David.
 - a. Fierce anger at the situation and Grief over the same situation!
2. Anger in righteousness... That his father would do and say things completely out of the character of God.
3. But then we read of the grief; The shame of his father, the breakdown of their relationship, the treatment of his friend and future king by the will of God
4. Ministry will need you to lead and rally in a militant aggression... FAITH & DOMINION
 - a. And it will require of you a heart tender to the needs of the sheep... PEOPLE SKILLS

II THE PEOPLE BUSINESS

A- PWM used to say: We are in the people business...

1. People are our business, people is who we are involved with everyday in all that we do-
 - a. This is why PWM told me: I don't worry about men learning how to preach, Will they learn how to Shepherd?
 - i. 2 different functions within the same man... same couple...
2. So, since we are in the people business... isn't it in our best interest to learn PEOPLE SKILLS?
3. Jesus mastered this, and reveals this in his ministry.
 - a. **Luke 2:52** Jesus grew in wisdom and in stature and in **favor** with **God** and all the **people**... Both at work
 - b. Revelations 5 describes Jesus as a Lion, and as a lamb... he is the embodiment of both (contrasting traits)
 - c. **Ps85:10** Mercy and truth have met together; Righteousness and peace have kissed... The cross is both!
 - d. The psalmist writes in Ps23: your rod and your staff, they comfort me... One defends, one cares for...

III THE BLESSING OF A LARGE HEART:

A- This kind of heart makes a man... a couple... a great blessing!

1. Because you can navigate the complexities of life!
 - a. Jonathan's loyalties were so pulled! They were for God and His will, for his father, for David, for the people...
 - i. But he could navigate it, and maneuver through it!
 - b. This will help in the complexities of ministry, of life, of responsibilities... Its wide and adaptable.
2. It can make you effective to a wide range of people-
 - a. Not so narrow to people only like you, or those you prefer, or are comfortable & confident with
 - i. You will have the ability to connect with and build bridges with many!
3. In that People are blessed: David was greatly blessed by Jonathan
 - a. **2Sam1:26** How I weep for you, my brother Jonathan! Oh, how much I loved you!
 - i. The blessing you can be to people!
 - ii P.Aragon... *If you'll marry them and bury them they'll love you forever!*
4. Dominion is established: Jonathan never lost sight of the purpose of his people... establish the KOG-
 - a. He fought for Israel, he took the Philistine Garrison, he died fighting for the plans and purposes of God
 - i. He remained a warrior!