Introduction: As Christians we know that Jesus is our ultimate example of perfection. There are also many individuals in the scriptures that we can look to as examples of righteousness, and thus did many things in ways similar to Jesus. We are in the midst of a series of programs that compares some of these individuals to Jesus. Some of these people were similar because their lives emulated His life; others were similar because events that happened in their lives corresponded with events in His life. In all of these cases we can see the consistency of the Scriptures and of God's expectations for His followers. For this study we want to compare **David and The Christ!**

We are members of the Oak Ridge church of Christ. We call ourselves Christians ([**Acts 11:26**](http://oakridgechurch.lakesonline.com/passage.asp?v=Acts%2011:26)) and we hold to the Bible as our one and only Truth. Church of Christ is a biblical description of Christians who work together for the cause of Christ ([**Ro. 16:16**](http://oakridgechurch.lakesonline.com/passage.asp?v=Romans%2016:16)). We are independent assemblies with no organization beyond our own number as described in [**Phil. 1:1**](http://oakridgechurch.lakesonline.com/passage.asp?v=Philippians%201:1). There are Christians across the world working with local congregations of God’s people such as described in [**Rev. 2**](http://oakridgechurch.lakesonline.com/passage.asp?v=Revelation%202)**-3**. Christians are members of Christ’s body, which is also known as His Church ([**Acts 2:47**](http://oakridgechurch.lakesonline.com/passage.asp?v=Acts%202:47)**,**[**Eph. 5:23**](http://oakridgechurch.lakesonline.com/passage.asp?v=Ephesians%205:23)). Our mission is to stand for God’s truth (the gospel) and teach it to all people ([**Matt. 28:18-20**](http://oakridgechurch.lakesonline.com/passage.asp?v=Matthew%2028:18-20)**,**[**Romans 1:16**](http://oakridgechurch.lakesonline.com/passage.asp?v=Romans%201:16)**,**[**1 Tim. 3:15**](http://oakridgechurch.lakesonline.com/passage.asp?v=1%20Timothy%203:15)). We are accountable to our one and only Head Jesus Christ ([**Eph. 1:22-23**](http://oakridgechurch.lakesonline.com/passage.asp?v=Ephesians%201:22-23)**,**[**Col. 1:18**](http://oakridgechurch.lakesonline.com/passage.asp?v=Colossians%201:18)).

**SIMILARITIES BETWEEN DAVID AND THE CHRIST**

• **Both were from Bethlehem**

 David (**1 Samuel 16:1, 4, 10-13**): Jesus (**Micah 5:2, Matthew 2:1, John 7:42**)

• **Both were from the lineage of Judah and Jesse**

David (**1 Samuel 17:12**): Jesus (**Matt. 1:1, 5-6, 20, 9:27, Luke 3:23, 31-34, Rev. 5:5**)

• **Both learned how to be Great Leaders from their experiences**

 David (**1 Chronicles 13:10-12, 15:11-13, 16:7, 36**): Jesus (**Heb. 2:17-18, 4:15, 5:8-10**)

• **Both were fearless facing insurmountable odds**

David (**1 Samuel 17:32-50**): Jesus (**Romans 5:18, Heb. 9:26-28, 10:10**)

**• Both were loved by God the Father for their hearts**

David (**Acts 13:22**): Jesus (**Matthew 17:5,** **2 Peter 1:16-17**)

**• Both submitted to God’s Will**

David (**Psalm 51:1-17**): Jesus (**Philippians 2:5-11**)

 **• Both became Kings of God’s people**

David (**2 Samuel 5:1-5,** **Matt. 1:6**): Jesus (**John 18:33-38, 1 Tim. 6:13-16, Rev. 17:14**)

 **• Only one became the perfect Savior and Spiritual King on His throne in Heaven!**

Jesus (**Luke 2:11, Acts 5:29-32, 13:22-23, Phil. 2:9-11, 2 Tim. 1:8-11**)

Closing: Before we close we want to make sure we invite all in our audience to our Bible studies on Wednesday at 7pm and Sunday morning at 9am. We would love to study God’s together with you! We also have a special invitation to all to come to our **Gospel Meeting on April 22-24, 2022 (Friday & Saturday 7pm, regular times on Sunday)**. Our topic is to be “**Living Peaceably with All Men**”.

In **Acts 2:29-42**, the apostles demonstrate that Jesus is greater than the patriarch David. Those present realized that they needed to submit to the risen Savior and His Authority. They asked, “Men and brethren, what shall we do?” Peter gives them the answer. They needed to repent of their sins and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission (forgiveness) of their sins. You need to submit to the Savior of the World who is now reigning as King in Heaven. Obey Jesus today so that you can become a Christian. He is the only way to the Father and the only way to the salvation of your soul!

Please check the scriptures we have covered tonight. We want to help you in any way we can. Contact us for Bible studies by telephone, e-mail, or simply come to one of our assemblies. Contact: We assemble at 225 North Purdue Ave. in Oak Ridge at 9am on Sundays and 7pm on Wednesdays; oakridgechurch.com; larry.paden@oakridgechurch.com, murray.wade@oakridgechurch.com; (865) 693-1416.

We plan to have a re-airing of this program on Monday, April 18 and our next live program is planned for May 2, 2022 when we hope to study, **"The Passover Lamb and The Christ”.** We hope to see you next time on **"Speaking The Truth In Love".**