

Life of David

A Man After God's Own Heart

King Over All Israel

- After Ish-bosheth's death, all tribes of Israel submitted to David as King [2 Sam 5:1-3].
 - They recognized David as their kin [v. 1].
 - They recognized David as their leader [v. 2a].
 - They recognized David as the Lord's choice [v. 2b].
 - The elders convened at Hebron [v. 3].
 - ✦ David made a covenant with them before the Lord.
 - ✦ The elders anointed David as their king.
- David's reign lasted forty years [2 Sam 5:4-5].
 - David began his reign over Judah at 30 years old.
 - David reigned over united Israel for 33 years.
- David conquered Jerusalem [2 Sam 5:6-8].
 - The Jebusites were Cannanites [Gen 10:15-16].
 - In arrogance, the Jebusites taunted David [v. 6].
 - Because of the taunt David's enemies became known as "the blind and the lame" [v. 8].
- David established Jerusalem as his capital city [2 Sam 5:9-10].
 - Because of David's reign in Jerusalem it became known as the City of David [v. 9a; 1 Kgs 2:10].
 - David built from the terraced area (Millo) inward making the city an even greater stronghold [v. 9b].
 - David was walking with the Lord and his influence expanded [v. 10].
- David was recognized as king [2 Sam 5:11-12].
 - King Hiram of Tyre recognized David as king of Israel and sent men to build him a palace [v. 11].
 - This event made David realize that the Lord had established him as king and was blessing His people Israel [v. 12; Psalm 30:1-12].
 - An alliance was formed with King Hiram that would continue after David's death [1 Kgs 5:1-12].
- David continued to follow his polygamous ways [2 Sam 5:13-16].
 - Although it was not godly behavior, David followed this custom of the ancient Near East.
 - David had many more sons and daughters while living in Jerusalem.
 - God blessed David with Solomon who would be born of Bathsheba in Jerusalem [2 Sam 12:24].

- David's reign was immediately tested by two Philistine invasions [2 Sam 5:17-25].
 - The Philistines sought out David [v. 17].
 - David sought out the Lord [vv. 19, 23].
 - In the 1st case, the Lord told David to go directly up against the Philistines [v. 19].
 - The armies of Israel defeated the Philistines and destroyed their idols [v. 21; 1 Chr 14:12].
 - In the 2nd case, the Lord told David to circle behind the Philistines and wait for a signal [vv. 23-24].
 - David followed the command of the Lord and pushed the Philistines back to Gezer [v. 25].
 - In both cases, the Philistines set themselves in battle array in the valley of Rephaim [vv. 18, 22].

