

DAVID ANOINTED KING OVER JUDAH

(2 Samuel 2)

I. DAVID'S MOVE TO HEBRON (2 Samuel 1-4:12)

A. The REPORT of the death of Saul and Jonathan (1:1-11)

B. The EXECUTION of the Amalekite messenger (1:12-16)

C. The EULOGY of David for his fallen comrades (1:17-27)

D. David MOVES from Ziklag to Hebron (2:1-3)

1. Thankfully David first _____ of the Lord before he made any major move, and Jehovah was faithful and gave him _____.
2. The entourage that David brought up with him to Hebron consisted of his two _____, his _____, and their families, and in all probability the number of this group could have been close to a _____ people.

E. David is ANOINTED king by the men of JUDAH (2:4-7)

1. As a temporary _____ fulfillment of Samuel's prophecy David was anointed king only over the tribe of _____, in the _____ region of Israel.
2. David's first official act as king was to _____ and _____ the men of Jabesh Gilead for their _____ in recovering Saul's body for burial.

F. Saul's son Ishbosheth is anointed KING over the NORTHERN tribes of Israel (2:8-11)

1. Abner, who was Saul's _____ and former _____ took it upon himself to anoint a member of the Saulide dynasty.
2. Ishbosheth was _____ years old when he took the throne, and reigned _____ years over Israel, but interestingly his kingship is _____ recognized as such in Scripture.

G. A CIVIL WAR breaks out between the house of Ishbosheth and the house of David (2:12-32)

1. Abner met with Joab by the pool in Gibeon, and it was decided that _____ men from each side would fight in a _____ to decide the victor of the battle.

* What situation should this remind you of when it comes to a pre-battle fight as two armies watch?

2. David's army under the _____ of Joab _____ over the army of Abner and there was a substantial victory.

3. David's nephew (and Joab's brother) Asahel got into a foot race with Abner, and despite his _____ Asahel continued to pursue Abner until he turned and _____ him with a spear.

4. Joab's army was in hot _____ of Abner's army all the way through dusk until the Benjamites were able to reassemble and obtain the _____ ground; there was then a temporary _____.

5. The final casualty report in the recent battle was that David's general Joab had lost _____ men in the fight, while Abner had lost _____ men.

* Whose side was the Lord on in this civil war among Israelite brethren (3:1)?

* What does this say about always following the Lord's blueprint for your life?

* How can this chapter be applied in your own life?