

## David: A Heart for God

2 Samuel 1:1-27

### Review of 1 Samuel

Samuel is Israel's last judge, a prophet of God, and a kingmaker. God listens to Samuel and answers him.

Saul is the first king of Israel, the people's choice. Saul does not obey God's will. He wants his own way.

David is the second king of Israel. He is the king of God's choosing and a man after God's own heart.

*God's timing is always \_\_\_\_\_. Wait on God's timing!*

### Overview of 2 Samuel

In 2 Samuel, the establishment of the necessary monarchy continues with King David on the throne.

David has a heart for God. He loves God and believes God.

- David believes God is the Supreme Ruler over all, and God is completely righteous.
- David believes God is always merciful, and God's will is always best.

David becomes God's instrument through whom God accomplishes His larger plans and purposes.

David excels as the political, military, and spiritual leader of Israel because God is with him.

Outline of 2 Samuel – David's Triumph, chapters 1-10; David's Tragedy, chapters 11-12;  
David's Trouble, chapters 13-20; Epilogue, chapters 21-24

*Remember, your \_\_\_\_\_ towards God, not your ability, determines how God will use you.*

### David Receives the Sad News of Saul's Death and Israel's Defeat 1:1-27

The Amalekite messenger claims he killed King Saul and brings Saul's crown and armband to David.

David does not rejoice but grieves over Saul's death, because he recognizes God's sovereign control.

Instead of receiving David's favor, the messenger receives death for killing Saul, the Lord's anointed.

By executing the messenger, David vindicates Saul and demonstrates he is not Saul's enemy.

David's humility, loyalty, forgiveness, and gracious love is seen in his lament honoring Saul and Jonathan.

As we study 2 Samuel, look for David's life pointing us to Jesus.

David's true triumph is the Son of David – Jesus who would come to earth to gain David's throne forever.

*Let Jesus be your King!  
Believe His promises and \_\_\_\_\_ Him!  
Want what He wants and \_\_\_\_\_ Him!*

Key: best, attitude, trust, obey

**David – The King of God’s Choosing - 2 Samuel 1**  
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**COLOSSIANS 1:16** For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities – all things were created through him and for him.

**JUDGES 2:11-12a** And the people of Israel did what was evil in the sight of the LORD and served the Baals. And they abandoned the LORD, the God of their fathers, who had brought them out of the land of Egypt.

**JUDGES 21:25** In those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes.

**1 SAMUEL 13:14** “But now your kingdom shall not continue. The LORD has sought out a man after his own heart, and the LORD has commanded him to be prince over his people, because you have not kept what the LORD commanded you.”

**1 SAMUEL 24:10b** “And some told me to kill you, but I spared you. I said, ‘I will not put out my hand against my lord, for he is the LORD’s anointed.’”

**1 SAMUEL 31:3-6** The battle pressed hard against Saul, and the archers found him, and he was badly wounded by the archers. Then Saul said to his armor-bearer, “Draw your sword, and thrust me through with it, lest these uncircumcised come and thrust me through, and mistreat me.” But his armor-bearer would not, for he feared greatly. Therefore Saul took his own sword and fell upon it. And when his armor-bearer saw that Saul was dead, he also fell upon his sword and died with him. Thus Saul died, and his three sons, and his armor-bearer, and all his men, on the same day together.

**MATTHEW 22:41-42** Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, saying, “What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.”