

2 Samuel 1 - 3

David, King of Judah

Lesson 10

After defeating the Amalekites, David and his men returned to Ziklag. God had protected all that belonged to David, so their families and everything the Amalekites had taken were recovered. In addition, David also now owned all the bounty from the Amalekites' raids throughout the Negev.

News of Israel's Battle - 1:1-16

1. Three days after returning to Ziklag, a man arrived from Saul's camp asking to speak with David. From 2 Samuel 1:2:
 - How was the man dressed?

 - What did the man do when he saw David?
2. The man told David he had escaped from the Israelite camp. When asked for a report, what news did he give David about: (vs. 4)
 - Israel's men

 - King Saul and Prince Jonathan
3. David questioned the man as to how he knew this to be true. What details did the man give to verify the truth? (vs. 6)
 - Location
 - Saul
 - The Philistines
4. What was the man's answer when King Saul asked his identity? (vs. 8)
5. What had Saul asked this man to do? (vs. 9)
 - Did this young man obey the king's request? (vs. 10a)

- What proof did he bring to David? (vs. 10b)
6. How did David take the news of Saul's death?
 - vs. 11
 - vs. 12
 7. David asked the man where he was from and was told he was an alien, (foreigner) an Amalekite. What was David's pointed question? (vs. 14)
 8. What was David's order concerning this man? (vs. 15a)
 - On whose testimony? (vs. 16)

David's Lament For Saul and Jonathan - 1:17-27

9. David called this lament the lament of the _____. (vs. 18)
10. This lament was to be taught to the men of Judah and recorded in the book of Jasher. He called Saul and Jonathan "Israel's glory". How did he describe them as warriors? (vs. 19b)
11. Where did David not want this lament to be made known or sung? (vs. 20a)
 - Why? (vs. 20b)
12. What was David's curse for Mount Gilboa where Saul and Jonathan were slain? (vs. 21)
13. David praised these warriors saying: (vs. 22)
Jonathan's bow did not _____.
Saul's sword did not _____.

14. Of the pair he said: (vs. 23)

In life they were _____ and _____.

In death there were not _____.

They were _____ than _____,

_____ than _____.

15. Why were the daughters of Israel to weep for Saul? (vs. 24)

16. David's strongest lament was for Jonathan. How did he describe him? (vs. 26-27)

David Anointed King of Judah - 2:1-7

17. With Saul dead, David turned to the Lord for direction. Where did the Lord direct him to go? (vs. 1)

18. David, his men and their families did as the Lord directed. What took place when they arrived? (vs. 4a)

19. When David learned of the honor the men of Jabesh-Gilead had paid Saul, what personal message did he send? (vs. 5-7)

He asked the Lord to bless them and show _____ and _____.

David assured them that he too will _____.

He called for them to be _____ and _____.

Although Saul was dead, the house of Judah had _____.

House of Saul vs. House of David - 2:8 - 3:5

20. What did Abner, Saul's army commander, do when he learned of Saul's death? (vs. 8, 9)

21. What summary was given in 2 Samuel 2:10-11 about:

Ish-Bosheth

David

King of

King of

Reigned for

Reigned for

22. Abner and Saul's army met Joab and David's army at the pool of Gibeon. What did Abner suggest to Joab? (vs. 14a)
23. Joab said, "All right, let's do it." How many men were to fight? (vs. 15)
- How did this end? (vs. 16)
24. This resulted in a battle involving all the men. What important information was given before the details of the story? (vs. 17)
25. David's three nephews were an important part of his army. What were the names of Zeruiah's (David's older sister's) sons? (vs. 18a)
- What was recorded about the youngest? (vs. 18b)
26. Asahel began to chase Abner with firm determination. When Abner looked back and saw him, what did Abner tell Asahel to do? (vs. 20-21)
27. But Asahel refused to listen. What was Abner's reason for warning him a second time? (vs. 22)
28. What was the result? (vs. 23)
- Asahel _____ to _____.
- Abner _____.
- This resulted in Asahel _____.
- Every man _____ when they saw Asahel.
29. The next encounter between the two sides was at the hill of Amnah. Summarize Abner's plea to Joab. (vs. 26)

30. What was Joab's answer? (vs. 27)
31. Keeping in mind 2 Samuel 2:17, who ended this battle? (vs. 28)
32. What was the final death toll when they returned home? (vs. 30-31)
David's army Saul's army
33. This battle was over, but the war between the house of Saul and the house of David continued for a long time. What else was recorded during the war? (vs. 3:1)
- David
 - Saul
34. How many sons were born to David while he reigned in Hebron? (vs. 2-5)

Abner and David - 3:6-21

35. What was Abner doing on the side for himself during this war? (vs. 6)
36. What changed everything for Abner? (vs. 7-10)
37. How did that affect Ish-Bosheth? (vs. 11)
38. What offer did Abner send to David? (vs. 12)
39. Before David agreed to Abner's request, what did he demand as proof? (vs. 13-16)
40. With whom did Abner speak before this meeting with David? (vs. 17-18)
- Why was it important for Abner to speak personally with the tribe of Benjamin?
(See 1 Samuel 9:1-2)
41. Abner arrived at Hebron with 20 men. How did David greet him? (vs. 20)

42. Using 2 Samuel 3:21:

- What did Abner offer to do for David?
- How did this meeting end?

Joab and Abner - 3:22 - 39

43. Joab's and David's men had been gone while Abner was with David. When they returned and Joab found out, what did he tell David? (vs. 25)

44. What did Joab do? (vs. 26)

45. Abner, filled with hope, returned to Hebron only to be met by Joab. What took place at the gateway? (vs. 27)

46. When David found out, he was furious. He declared his own innocence (vs. 28) then called for God's judgment upon the house of Joab. (vs. 29) What did David make Joab do? (vs. 31)

47. David walked behind the bier, weeping loudly before the people. David also wrote a lament for Abner. (vs. 33) What did David not do? (vs. 35)

48. What was the reaction of the people? (vs. 36-37)

49. What did David tell his men about: (vs. 38-39)

- Abner
- Himself
- His nephews