

God's Blessing on David's Reign 2 Samuel 8-10

I. Kingdom is Expanded - 8

1. Into Israel's neighbors – 1-4
 - Subduing the Philistines – 1
 - Defeating Moab (family of Lot) – 2
 - Resisted Israel as they came from Egypt
 - King of Moab hired Balaam
 - Extending to the Euphrates River – 3-4
 - Note God's promise to Abraham – Gen. 15:18
2. Defeating Syria – 5-8
 - God's hand was upon David – 6
3. Dedicated spoils of war to God – 9-13
 - Began to stockpile things for the Temple
4. Edom became David's servants – 14
 - Edom is the family of Esau – Gen. 36:1
5. David reigned in justice over Israel – 15-18
 - He appointed men to lead in various areas

II. Compassion of David - 9

1. David honors commitment to Jonathan - 9:1
 - Love for Jonathan seeks expression
2. Mephibosheth is recipient of mercy - 2-13
 - David reached out to find him - 2-5
 - Seeks to reflect God's kindness - 3
 - Assured him there was no reason for fear – 6-7
 - Gracious to him for Jonathan's sake - 8-13
 - Restored all of Saul's land to him
 - Appointed men to work the land & give him the fruits
 - He took Mephibosheth into his own family - 11
 - Mephibosheth would eat at David's table - 13
 - Mephibosheth was lame on both feet –
2 Sam. 4:4

III. Compassion Rebuffed – 10:1-14

1. David reaches out to King Hanun – 1-2
 - Hanun is king of Ammon – (family of Lot)
 - Hanun's father died, David seeks to comfort him
 - His father was kind to David
 - Messengers are sent with David's condolence
2. King Hanun listens to poor counsel – 3-4
 - They treat David's messengers shamefully
3. King's rebuff of David leads to war – 5
 - David sets his men aside to let beards grow – 5
 - Perhaps time to defuse this situation
4. Ammon hires Syria to fight Israel – 6
5. God gives Israel victory in battle – 7-14
 - Joab divides army to fight on 2 fronts – 7-11
 - One to fight Ammon, other to fight Syria
 - Take courage and trust God to help – 12
 - Joab & Abishai were both victorious – 13-14
 - Joab returns to Jerusalem - 14

IV. Syria Fights Israel - 10:15-19

1. Syria regroups to fight Israel – 15-16
 - More troops are gathered to fight Israel
2. David gathered Israel to fight Syria – 17-18
 - The Syrians fled before Israel – 18
 - David won a complete victory
3. Allies of Syria made peace with Israel – 19
 - Syrians would not help Ammon any more