

P.T. BIBLE SURVEY

The Book of 2 Samuel

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- ◎ Who wrote it?
 - Unknown, but many believe Samuel
 - 1 and 2 Samuel are named after Samuel, the judge who anointed both Saul and David kings of Israel.

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◉ Timing of Events:

- Around 1011 to 971 B.C.
- Covers David's 40 year reign as king.
- Seven years in Hebron, and thirty years in Jerusalem.

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◎ Key Term: **David**

- The name “David” appears more than 200 times in this book. It focuses entirely on the time David was king of Israel.

◎ Location of Events:

- Hebron (7 years)
- Jerusalem (33 years)

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◎ General Outline:

- **Part 1 - David's Triumphs (Chaps. 1-10)**
 - Political, spiritual, and in the military
 - A season of obedience
- **Part 2 - David's Transgressions (Chap. 11)**
 - Sins of adultery and murder
 - A season of disobedience
- **Part 3 - David's Troubles (Chaps. 12-24)**
 - Troubles in David's house and the kingdom
 - A season of judgment

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- ◎ Summary in one sentence:
 - David's reign as king over Israel included times of success, such as his conquest of Jerusalem, as well as times of failure, such as his adultery with Bathsheba.
- ◎ Summary in 10 words or less:
 - David becomes Israel's greatest king, but with major flaws.

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◎ Cast of Characters:

- **God:** Speaks to His priests Eli and Samuel
- **David:** newly appointed king
- **Joab:** commander of David's army and killer of David's son Absalom.
- **Mephibosheth:** Jonathan's crippled son; David treats him like his own
- **Michal:** daughter of Saul and wife of David
- **Bathsheba:** married to Uriah the Hittite; David has an affair with her and marries her
- **Absalom:** David's son; revolts against his father

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- ◎ Where is the work of Christ?
 - David is the founder of the dynasty of which Jesus (Son of David) is the eternal king. David illustrates Christ's kingship.
 - David's compassion and loyalty to Mephibosheth (Chap. 9) is an example of the undeserved love we receive from God.

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Verse to Remember

- ⦿ Now therefore, may it please You to bless the house of Your servant, that it may continue forever before You. For You, O Lord God, have spoken; and with Your blessing may the house of Your servant be blessed forever.” (2 Samuel 7:29 NASB)

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◉ Interesting Facts:

- David's nephew Jonathan killed a brother of Goliath who had 6 fingers on both hands and six toes on both feet. (2 Sam. 21:20, 21)
- One of David's mighty men, Adino, killed 800 men at one time. (2 Sam. 23:8)
- David's life is the halfway point between Abraham and Christ.

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- ◎ What is my take away?
 - Although God forgives us of our sins, we sometimes have to live with residue or consequences of those sins.

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◎ Home Study

- Read a chapter daily in 2 Samuel this week.
- Study the One Sentence Summary.
- Recite your memory verses daily.