



2 Samuel

Part #1 –
Judah

David anointed king over Judah?

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Introduction

Words such as Agile, Swift as a roe, celebrated and very popular. These are the descriptions and accolades given to champions made visible by their giftings. The preservation of which is made secure only through the exercise of obedience.



Introduction

Key Scriptures

- And it came to pass after this, that David enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I go up into any of the cities of Judah? And the LORD said unto him, Go up. And David said, Whither shall I go up? And he said, Unto Hebron. – 2 Samuel 2:1
- And his men that *were* with him did David bring up, every man with his household: and they dwelt in the cities of Hebron. – 2 Samuel 2:3
- And the men of Judah came, and there they anointed David king over the house of Judah. And they told David, saying, *That* the men of Jabeshgilead *were they* that buried Saul. – 2 Samuel 2:4



Introduction – Cont'd

Key Scriptures

- Therefore now let your hands be strengthened, and be ye valiant: for your master Saul is dead, and also the house of Judah have anointed me king over them. – 2 Samuel 2:7
- And there was a very sore battle that day; and Abner was beaten, and the men of Israel, before the servants of David. – 2 Samuel 2:17
- And Abner said again to Asahel, Turn thee aside from following me: wherefore should I smite thee to the ground? how then should I hold up my face to Joab thy brother? – 2 Samuel 2:22



Introduction – Cont'd

Key Scriptures

- Now there was long war between the house of Saul and the house of David: but David waxed stronger and stronger, and the house of Saul waxed weaker and weaker. – 2 Samuel 3:1
- And it came to pass, while there was war between the house of Saul and the house of David, that Abner made himself strong for the house of Saul. – 2 Samuel 3:6
- And Abner sent messengers to David on his behalf, saying, Whose *is* the land? saying *also*, Make thy league with me, and, behold, my hand *shall be* with thee, to bring about all Israel unto thee. – 2 Samuel 3:12



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- And David sent messengers to Ishbosheth Saul's son, saying, Deliver *me* my wife Michal, which I espoused to me for an hundred foreskins of the Philistines. – 2 Samuel 3:14
- He will not regard any ransom; neither will he rest content, though thou givest many gifts. – 2 Proverbs 6:35



Introduction – Cont'd

Key Scriptures

- And all the people took notice *of it*, and it pleased them: as whatsoever the king did pleased all the people. For all the people and all Israel understood that day that it was not of the king to slay Abner the son of Ner. – 2 Samuel 3:36-37
- And I *am* this day weak, though anointed king; and these men the sons of Zeruiah *be* too hard for me: the LORD shall reward the doer of evil according to his wickedness. – 2 Samuel 3:39



Keys

In Hebron

- Making Inquiry
- All the men of David with him
- Men of Jabeshgilead
- State of the Union Address (SITU)
- Abner
- Ishbosheth, son of Saul
- Asahel



In this lesson

In Hebron

- Seeking the Lord
- Established in Judah
- Shamed by a King
- Saul's captain - Abner



Seeking the Lord

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Before Hebron

- Seeking Instructions
- Authorized to go into Judah
- Specificity of the request
- Forfeits and losses apparently due to sporadic fellowship
- Terrible assumptions



Stablised in Judah

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In Hebron

- Kingmakers are present – when the student is ready the teacher appears
- Acknowledge the brave men of Jabeshgilead
- State of the Union Address (SITU)



Shamed by a King

Then was Abner very wroth for the words of Ishbosheth, and said, Am I a dog's head, which against Judah do shew kindness this day unto the house of Saul thy father, to his brethren, and to his friends, and have not delivered thee into the hand of David, that thou chargest me to day with a fault concerning this woman? – 2 Samuel 3:8

Ishbosheth (man of shame)

- Accuses a kingmaker
- No confidence vote by a kingmaker
- Fear of Abner



Saul's captain - Abner

But Abner the son of Ner, captain of Saul's host, took Ishbosheth the son of Saul, and brought him over to Mahanaim; – 2 Samuel 2:8

Who was Abner?

- Installs Ishboseth as King over Gilead, the Ashurites, Jezreel, Ephraim, Benjamin and Israel
- Respected Kingmaker – when Generals speak
- Asahel – swift as a roe but stubborn as a goat! – 2 Samuel 2:18-23
- Voice of a General – Shall the sword devour forever?



Saul's captain – Abner – Cont'd

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- Insulted by King Ishbosheth
- David sought by a kingmaker
- Silenced by wicked men



Summary

King David established king in Judah



Next Week

The reign of King David Continues!