

2 Samuel

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Detailed Bible Book Outline

II Samuel

I. David became the king of Israel - 1:1-5:5

A. The Lord gave David word of the death of Saul - 1:1-27

1. David heard that Saul was dead - 1:1-4

a. David completed his slaughter of the Amalekites - 1:1

**David returned from the slaughter of the Amalekites after the death of Saul
David stayed two days in Ziklag before a man arrived from the battlefield**

b. David had a messenger come from the battlefield - 1:2

**The third day a man came from the camp of Saul
The man had his clothes torn and dust on his head
The man came to David, fell to the ground and prostrated himself**

c. David heard he had escaped from the battlefield - 1:3

The man said he had escaped from the camp of Israel

d. David heard that Saul and Jonathan had died - 1:4

**The man said that many people were fallen and were dead
The man said that the dead included Saul and Jonathan**

2. David heard an Amalekite say he had killed Saul - 1:5-10

**David asked the man how he knew that Saul and Jonathan were dead
The man said he came by chance to Mount Gilboa
The man said that Saul was leaning on his spear
The man said the chariots and horsemen were close to him
The man said that Saul looked, saw him and called to him
The man said that he told Saul that he was an Amalekite
The man said Saul told him to stand over Saul and kill him
The man said he killed Saul because he was sure he would not live
The man said he took the crown and bracelet of Saul
The man said he brought those things to David**

3. David had the Amalekite put to death - 1:11-16

a. David showed his sorrow over the death of Saul - 1:11-12

**David took his own clothes and tore them
All the men with David also tore their clothes
The men mourned, wept and fasted until evening for Saul and Jonathan
The men also mourned for the people of the Lord and the house of Israel
The people realized they had all been killed by the sword**

b. David was told again the man was an Amalekite - 1:13-14

**David asked the young man, "Where are you from?"
The young man said he was an alien, the son of an Amalekite
God had said He would completely destroy Amalek - Ex. 17:8-14
David asked the young man why he was not afraid to kill Saul
David said that the young man had destroyed the anointed of the Lord
Samuel had anointed Saul as the first king of Israel - I Sam. 10:1**

c. David said the Amalekite brought judgment on himself - 1:15-16

**David called one of his young man and said, "Go near, and execute him!"
The young man struck the Amalekite so that he died
David told the Amalekite that his blood was on his own head
David said that he had testified that he killed the Lord's anointed**

4. David mourned the death of Saul - 1:17-24

a. David showed his sorrow for the death of Saul - 1:17

**David chanted with the following lament (song of sorrow)
David used this song to remember Saul and Jonathan**

b. David ordered Judah to learn the song of the bow - 1:18

**David told his men to teach the people of Judah, *the Song of the Bow*
The song was written in the Book of Jasher
The Book of Jasher was a book about the wars and events of Israel - Jos. 10:13
This book was a historical book that was not inspired by God - II Pet. 1:19-21**

c. David said the glory of Israel was slain - 1:19-20

**The beauty of Israel was killed on the high places of Israel
The mighty had fallen on Mount Gilboa
David did not want the Philistines to boast about killing Saul
David did not want the women of the Philistines to rejoice**

d. David spoke a curse about Mount Gilboa - 1:21-22

**David asked that there be no dew Mount Gilboa
David asked that there would be no rain there either
David said that the shield of Saul had fallen there
David said that the blood of the slain had been shed there
David said the weapons of Jonathan and Saul had served faithfully**

e. David honored the fighting of Saul and Jonathan - 1:23-24

**David said that Saul and Jonathan were beloved
David said that they were faithful in their lives
David said they were not divided in their deaths
David said that they were both swift and strong**

5. David mourned the death of Jonathan - 1:25-27

a. David called Jonathan one of the mighty - 1:25

**David said the mighty had fallen in the middle of battle
David said Jonathan was killed on the heights of the mountain**

b. David had a great love for Jonathan - 1:26

**David said that he was distressed by the death of Jonathan
David said that Jonathan was like a brother to him
David said Jonathan had been very pleasant to him
David said the love of Jonathan was wonderful**

c. David said a mighty man had fallen - 1:27

**David said that the mighty had fallen
David said the weapons of war had perished**

B. The Lord made David the king of Judah - 2:1-7

1. David asked the Lord if he should go to Judah - 2:1-3

a. David was told by the Lord to go to Hebron - 2:1

**David asked the Lord if he should go to any of the cities of Judah
David asked to which city when the Lord told him to go
The Lord told David that he should go to the city of Hebron**

b. David went to Hebron with his family - 2:2

**David then went to the city of Hebron
David took with him his two wives: Ahinoam and Abigail**

c. David had his men come with him to Hebron - 2:3

**David brought all of his men with him
David also had them bring their households with them
This meant that they now lived in the cities of Hebron**

2. David was anointed king by the men of Judah - 2:4

**The men of Judah came and anointed David king over the house of Judah
They told David, "The men of Jabesh-Gilead were the ones who buried Saul"**

3. David sent messengers to Jabesh-gilead - 2:5-7

**David sent messengers to the men of Jabesh-gilead
David said they were blessed of the Lord for showing kindness to Saul
David said they were blessed for burying Saul
David asked that the Lord would show kindness to them
David asked that the Lord would also show truth to them
David said that he would repay their kindness to Saul
David said that they had shown kindness to Saul by their actions
David asked that their hands would be strengthened
David asked that they would be valiant
David told them that Saul had died
David said that he had been anointed as king over Judah**

C. The Lord gave David victory over the household of Saul - 2:8-4:12

1. Ishbosheth became the king of Israel - 2:8-11

**Abner was the son of Ner (Saul's uncle) - I Sam. 14:50-51)
Abner was the commander of Saul's army
Abner took Ishbosheth and brought him to Mahanaim
Abner made Ishbosheth king over Israel
Ishbosheth ruled over the area east of the Jordan and over all Israel
Ishbosheth was forty years old when he began to reign
Ishbosheth reigned for two years before this event
Only the tribe of Judah followed David
David was the king in Hebron over Judah for 7 years and 6 months**

2. Ishbosheth made war against David - 2:12-3:39

a. Abner brought his army against David - 2:12-17

**Abner and the servants of Ishbosheth went from Mahanaim to Gibeon
Joab and the servants of David met them by the pool in Gibeon
One group was on each side of the pool
Abner said, "Let the young men now arise and compete before us."
Joab said, "Let them arise."
Twelve servants of Ishbosheth met twelve servants of David
Each grasped his opponent by the head and thrust his sword through him
They all fell down together
The place was called the Field of Sharp Swords which is in Gibeon
A fierce battle followed and the servants of David defeated Israel**

b. Abner killed Asahel when Asahel chased him - 2:18-24

1) Asahel, the younger brother of Joab, pursued Abner - 2:18-21

**The three sons of Zeruiah were there : Joab, Abishai and Asahel
Asahel was fast on his feet like a young gazelle
Asahel followed Abner and did not turn either direction
Abner looked behind him and asked, "Are you Asahel?"
Asahel then told Abner that he was Asahel
Abner told Asahel to get the armor from one of the young men
Asahel would not stop following Abner**

2) Asahel was told again to get some armor to fight - 2:23

**Abner spoke to Asahel again, "Turn aside from following me."
Abner asked why he should strike Asahel to the ground
Abner said that then he could not face Joab, Asahel's brother**

3) Asahel was killed by Abner - 2:23

**Abner saw that Asahel refused to turn aside from following him
Abner then struck Asahel in the stomach with the blunt end of his spear
The blunt end of the spear came out of the back of Asahel
Asahel fell down there and died on the spot
Many stood still where Asahel fell when they came to the spot**

7) Asahel was replaced by his brothers also chasing Abner - 2:24

**Joab and Abishai continued pursuing Abner
The sun was going down when they came to the hill of Ammah**

c. Abner made a truce with the army of David - 2:25-32

1) Joab was asked if brothers should fight - 2:25-28

**Abner and the men of Benjamin took their stand on the top of the hill
Abner called to Joab and asked if the sword should devour forever
Abner said that there would be bitterness at the end
Abner asked Joab to tell his men to stop pursuing their brethren
Joab said that his men would have stopped by morning
Joab then blew his trumpet to stop his men from fighting**

2) Joab allowed the men of Abner to escape that night - 2:29-32

**Abner and his men crossed the Jordan during the night
David's men then all gathered together to return to Hebron
David's men found they had nineteen men missing plus Asahel
David's men had struck down 360 men of Abner who died
David's men buried Asahel in his father's tomb in Bethlehem
Joab and his men then traveled the entire night
Joab and his men came to Hebron at daybreak**

d. Abner was accused falsely by Ishbosheth - 3:1-11

1) David saw his family grow in Hebron - 3:1-5

**There was a long war between the house of Saul and the house of David
David grew stronger and stronger while the house of Saul grew weaker
The first son of David born in Hebron was Amnon by Ahinoam
The second son was Chileab by Abigail the widow of Nabal
The third son was Absalom by Talmi, daughter of the king of Geshur
The fourth son was Absalom the son of Haggith
The fifth son was Shephatiah the son of Abital
The sixth son was Ithream by David's wife Eglah
These sons of David were born during the time he lived in Hebron**

2) Ishbosheth accuses Abner of sin - 3:6-11

a) Abner made himself strong in the house of Saul - 3:6

**There was war between the house of Saul and the house of David
During that time Abner was strengthening his hold on the house of Saul**

b) Abner was accused of sin by Ishbosheth - 3:7-8

**Saul had a concubine whose name was Rizpah
Ishbosheth said to Abner, "Why have you gone in to my father's concubine?"
Abner became very angry at the words of Ishbosheth
Abner asked if he was a dog's head (traitor) belonging to Judah**

c) Abner said he would help transfer the kingdom - 3:9-10

**Abner said that he had shown loyalty to the family of Saul
Abner said help fulfill what the Lord promised to David
Abner said he would help transfer the kingdom from the house of Saul
Abner said that then David would rule from Dan to Beersheba**

d) Abner was feared by Ishbosheth - 3:11

**Ishbosheth could not even answer Abner
Ishbosheth was filled with fear of Abner**

e. Abner returned Michal to David - 3:12-16

1) David received word that Abner wanted to help him - 3:12-13

**Abner send messengers to David to speak for him
Abner said to make a covenant with him and he would bring Israel to David
David told Abner that there was one condition for him to make a covenant
David said Abner had to bring Michal in order to see David's face**

2) David requested Ishbosheth to send his wife - 3:14-16

**David sent messengers to Ishbosheth saying Saul had promised her as wife
David said he had killed 100 Philistines to be betrothed to Michal
Ishbosheth sent and took her from her husband named Paltiel
Her husband followed her to Bahurim weeping behind her
Abner told her husband to leave and return to his home**

f. Abner tried to lead Israel to follow David - 3:17-21

1) Abner reminded the elders they had wanted David - 3:17-19

**Abner sent a messenger to the elders of Israel
Abner reminded them that in the past they wanted David as king
Abner said that now the time had come for them to do it
The Lord had told David that he would save Israel from the Philistines
The Lord told David he would save Israel from all of its enemies
Abner said the same thing in the hearing of the leaders of Benjamin
Abner then went to speak to David in Hebron
Abner saw that all Israel and Benjamin were ready to follow David**

5) Abner said he would gather all Israel to David - 3:20-21

**David saw Abner come to him in Hebron with 20 men
David made a feast for Abner and the men with him
Abner told David that he would gather all Israel to David the king
Abner said he would get Israel to make a covenant with David
Abner said David could then rule as his heart desired
Abner was sent away in peace by David
This covenant would make David the king of the entire nation of Israel**

g. Abner was murdered by Joab - 3:22-30

1) Joab said Abner was trying to deceive David - 3:22-23

**Joab and his men came from a raid and brought much spoil with them
Abner was no longer with David in Hebron
David had sent Abner away and he had gone in peace
Joab and his troops heard that David had talked with Abner
Joab heard that he had come to the king
Joab heard that David had sent him away in peace**

2) Joab asked why David had sent Abner away - 3:24-26

**Joab asked David what he had done by sending Abner away
Joab said that Abner was already gone from the area
Joab said that Abner had come to deceive David
Joab said Abner wanted to find out where David was as he came and went
Joab said Abner wanted to know all that David was doing
Joab then left the presence of David to hide his plan from David
Joab sent messengers after Abner to tell him to come back
Joab had the messengers bring Abner back from the well of Sirah
David did not know that Joab had sent these messengers**

3) Joab murdered Abner - 3:27-30

**Joab took Abner aside when he returned to Hebron
Joab told Abner that he wanted to speak to him privately
Abner was stabbed in the stomach by Joab
Joab wanted revenge because Abner killed his brother Asahel - 2:19-23
Abner died for the blood of his brother Asahel
David did not hear what had happened until later
David made it clear that he and the kingdom were guiltless before the Lord
David said the blood of Abner rested on the head of Joab and his family
David said the family of Joab would have problems of various kinds
David said this would include leprosy, death by the sword or lack of food
Joab and Abishai had together killed Abner
This was due to the fact that Abner had killed Asahel in the battle
Asahel had been killed in battle because he refused to stop chasing Abner
Joab committed murder by taking personal revenge - I Sam. 3:39**

h. Abner was mourned by David - 3:31-39

1) David showed his sorrow for the death of Abner - 3:31-35

David told Joab and all the people with him to mourn for Abner

David told them to tear their clothes and put on sackcloth

Abner was buried in Hebron, the city where David was living

David lifted up his voice and wept at the grave of Abner

All of the people there also wept with David

David sang a lament to show his sorrow for Abner and tell how he died

David asked if Abner should die as a fool dies

David said the hands of Abner were not bound

David said the feet of Abner were not in fetters

David said that Abner fell as one killed by wicked men

David did not forget this sin of Joab - I Kings 2:5-6

Solomon ordered the death of Joab for his sin - I Kings 2:30-34

Then all of the people wept over Abner again

The people then came and tried to persuade David to eat food

David said he took an oath that he would not eat to show his sorrow

David said that he would not eat any food until the sun had gone down

2) David had his actions noticed by the people - 3:36-38

The people all noticed what David had done and it pleased them

Whatever the king did pleased the people because it showed his heart

David fully followed the Lord with his heart - I Kings 11:6

All Israel said that it was not the plan of David to kill Abner

David then spoke to his servants about Abner

David said that a prince and a great man had fallen that day

Abner planned to turn the heart of all Israel to David - II Sam. 3:21

3) David said God would judge the murderers - 3:39

David said he was weak that day even though he had been anointed king

Abner encouraged the elders of Israel to make David king - II Sam. 3:17-19

David was later anointed as king of all Israel by the elders - II Sam. 5:3

David said that the sons of Zeruiah were too harsh for him

David said the Lord would repay every evildoer for his wickedness

David was going to allow the Lord to take vengeance - Deut. 32:35

3. Ishbosheth was murdered by his servants - 4:1-12

a. The nation of Israel had its hands become feeble - 4:1-3

**Ishbosheth heard that Abner had died in Hebron
Ishbosheth lost heart and all Israel was troubled
Ishbosheth had two men who were captains of troops
The two were Baanah and Rechab from the tribe of Benjamin
Their father was Rimmon the Beerothite
The people of Beeroth fled to Gittaim and sojourned there**

b. The nation of Israel did not know a son of Jonathan lived 4:4

**Jonathan had a son who was lame on his feet
He was five years old when his father and Saul died in Jezreel
His nurse had taken him and fled in a hurry at that news
The boy fell and as a result became lame
The name of the boy was Mephibosheth**

c. The nation of Israel lost Ishbosheth as its leader - 4:5-8

**Rechab and Baanah came in the heat of the day to the house of Ishbosheth
Ishbosheth was resting on his bed at noon in his bedroom
Rechab and Baanah came into the house as though to get wheat
Rechab and Baanah stabbed Ishbosheth in the stomach
Rechab and Baanah then escaped from his house
When they came into the house, Ishbosheth was lying on his bed
They struck him, killed him, beheaded him and took his head
They took the head and traveled all night and escaped through the plain
They brought the head of Ishbosheth to David in Hebron
They said he was the son of Saul, the enemy who tried to kill David**

d. The nation of Israel learned that David judged the murderers - 4:9-12

**David said the Lord was the One who delivered his life from all adversity
David said that he arrested and killed the Amalekite who killed Saul
David said they were wicked men to kill a righteous person
David said that he would now kill them and remove them from the earth
David commanded his young men to kill them and hang them by the pool
David had the head buried in the tomb of Abner in Hebron**

D. The Lord made David king of all Israel - 5:1-5

**All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron
All the tribes said, "Indeed we are your bone and your flesh"
The tribes said David led them out and brought them in when Saul was king
The tribes said that the Lord was with David
The Lord told David "You shall shepherd My people Israel"
The Lord also said that David would be the ruler over Israel
The Lord said this many years earlier when David was young - I Sam. 16:11-13
The elders of Israel came to Hebron to make David king over all Israel
The elders anointed David king over Israel
David was thirty years old when he began to reign and reigned forty years
David reigned in Hebron over Judah for seven years and six months
David reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel thirty-three years**

II. David ruled the nation of Israel - 5:6-10:19

A. The Lord led David to make Jerusalem the capital - 5:6-16

1. David made the city of Jerusalem his capital - 5:6-10

**David and his men went to Jerusalem to fight against the Jebusites
The Jebusites said even the blind and the lame could keep David out
The Jebusites thought that David would not be able to conquer them
David took the stronghold of Zion and it became (the City of David)
David had them climb through the water tunnel and defeat the Jebusites
They have a saying "The blind and the lame shall not come into the house"
David conquered the stronghold and called it the City of David
David built from the Millo (an area they filled with stones) inward
David became great and the Lord of hosts was with him**

2. David made an alliance with Hiram - 5:11-12

**Hiram, king of Tyre, sent messengers to David
Hiram also sent cedar trees, carpenters and stonemasons
These men built a house for David
David knew that the Lord had established him as king over Israel
David knew the Lord had exalted His kingdom
David knew the Lord did this for the sake of His people Israel**

3. David had his family grow after he moved to Jerusalem - 5:13-16

**David took more concubines and wives after he came to Jerusalem
David also had more sons and daughters born in Jerusalem
The names of those who were born to him in Jerusalem:
Shammua, Shobab, Nathan, Solomon, Ibhar, Elishua, Nepheg,
Japhia, Elishama, Eliada, and Eliphelet**

B. The Lord gave David victory over the Philistines - 5:17-25

1. David asked the Lord if he should fight against the Philistines - 5:17-21

**The Philistines heard that David had been anointed king over Israel
The Philistines all went up to search for David
David heard they were coming and went to the stronghold
The Philistines deployed themselves in the Valley of Rephaim
David asked the Lord if he should go fight against the Philistines
David was guided by the Lord in his battles - I Sam. 5:23
David asked the Lord if He would deliver the Philistines into his hand
The Lord told David He would deliver the Philistines into his hand
David defeated the Philistines at Baal Perazim
David said "The Lord has broken through my enemies before me"
David said the Lord gave a victory that was like a flood of water
David gave the name to that place and called it Baal Perazim
The Philistines left their idols there
David and his men carried the idols of the Philistines away**

2. David defeated the Philistines a second time - 5:22-25

**The Philistines were up again against Israel to the Valley of Rephaim
David asked the Lord what to do again
The Lord told David to circle around behind the Philistines
The Lord said to come against the Philistines in front of the mulberry trees
The Lord said David would hear marching in the tops of the mulberry trees
The Lord said that then David was to advance quickly
The Lord said He would go before David and strike the Philistines
David did exactly as the Lord had commanded him
David drove the Philistines back from Geba as far as Gezer
This was a distance of about 20 miles**

C. The Lord led David to bring the ark to Jerusalem - 6:1-23

1. The ark was carried in the wrong way - 6:1-5

a. David wanted to bring the ark to Jerusalem - 6:1-2

**David gathered all the choice men of Israel, thirty thousand
David took the men with him to bring the ark of God from Baale Judah
The ark of God which name is called by the Name, the Lord of Hosts
The Lord of Hosts is the name of the One who dwells above the cherubim**

b. David did the right thing in the wrong way -6:3-5

**The men set the Ark of God on a new cart
This was the way the Philistines returned the ark to Israel - I Sam. 6:7-8
This was not the way God instructed Israel to carry the ark - Ex. 25:10-16
The sons of Aminadab, Uzzah and Ahio, drove the new cart
The men brought the Ark out of the house of Abinadab
The house of Abinadab was located on a hill
Ahio went in front of the cart while Uzzah drove the cart
David and all the men followed playing music before the Lord
The men were playing many different kinds of instruments**

2. The ark resulted in the death of Uzzah - 6:6-11

**Something happened when they came to Nachon's threshing floor
Uzzah put out his hand to the ark of God and took hold of it
This was because the oxen pulling the cart stumbled
The anger of the Lord was aroused against Uzzah
God struck Uzzah and he died by the Ark of God
David became angry because of the Lord's outbreak against Uzzah
David called the name of the place Perez Uzzah
David was afraid of the Lord that day
David asked, "How can the ark of the Lord come to me?"
David feared to move the ark into the City of David (Jerusalem)
David took the ark aside into the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite
Obed-Edom was a Levite who became a doorkeeper - I Chron. 17:24-25
The ark remained at the house of Obed-Edom for three months
The Lord blessed Obed-Edom and all of his house**

3. The ark was carried the right way - 6:12-16

**David heard the Lord had blessed Obed-Edom and all that belonged to him
David heard that this happened because of the ark of God
David brought the ark of God from the house of Obed-Edom
David brought the ark of God to the city of David with gladness
David offered sacrifices of oxen and fatted sheep to God
David danced before the Lord with all his might
David was wearing a linen ephod as he danced
David and all Israel brought up the ark of the Lord
This was accompanied with shouting and the sound of the trumpet
Michal was watching as they brought the ark into the city of David
Michal despised David in her heart as she saw him leaping and whirling**

4. The ark caused great celebration by the people - 6:17-19

**The people brought the ark of the Lord and set it in its place
The people put it in the tabernacle David had erected for it
David offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the Lord
David then blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts
David gave all the people a loaf of bread, a piece of meat and a cake of raisins
David included both the women and the men in this gift
The people then departed and returned to their homes**

5. The ark and celebration caused David to be rejected by Michal - 6:20-23

**David returned home to bless his household
Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David
Michal mocked David and said, "How glorious was the king of Israel today, uncovering himself today in the eyes of the maids of his servants, as one of the base fellows shamelessly uncovers himself!"
David told Michal the Lord had chosen him instead of her father
David said the Lord appointed him over the people of the Lord
David said that he would play music before the Lord
David said he would be even more undignified
David said he would be humble in his own sight
David said that he would be held in honor by the other women
Michal the daughter of Saul had no children to the day of her death
God said He would tear the kingdom away from the family of Saul - I Sam. 15:28**

D. The Lord made a covenant with David - 7:1-29

1. David had a desire to build a temple for God - 7:1-3

**The Lord gave David time to live in his house
The Lord gave David rest from all of his enemies
David spoke to Nathan the prophet
David said that he was living in a house of cedar
David said the ark of God was dwelling inside tent curtains
Nathan told the king to do all that was in his heart
Nathan told the king that the Lord was with him**

2. David was given a message through Nathan - 7:4-11

a. Nathan was given a message for David from the Lord - 7:4-5

**That night the word of the Lord came to Nathan
Nathan was told to go and speak to David
Nathan was to ask if David would build a house for the Lord**

b. Nathan said God had not even had a building - 7:6-11

**God told Nathan He had not had a house since Israel came from Egypt
God said he had moved about in a tent and in a tabernacle
God said He had moved many times with the people of Israel
God said He had never spoken a word about it to anyone from Israel
God said He had not asked "Why have you not built Me a house of cedar?"
God then told Nathan what to tell David
The Lord had taken David from following the sheep
The Lord had appointed David to be ruler over His people
The Lord had been with David wherever he had gone
The Lord had cut off all of the enemies of David before him
The Lord had made David a great name on the earth
The Lord said He would appoint a place for His people Israel
The Lord said the day would come when they would move no more
The Lord said then the sons of wickedness would oppress them no more
The Lord had commanded judges to be over His people Israel
The Lord caused Israel to rest from all of their enemies
The Lord told David that He would build the house of David**

3. David was promised an everlasting throne - 7:12-17

a. David was told God would establish his kingdom - 7:12

**The Lord said David would rest with his fathers
The Lord said He would set up David's seed after him
The Lord said this seed would come through the body of David
The Lord said He would establish His kingdom**

b. David was told his son would build the house - 7:13

**The Lord said that son would build a house for His name
The Lord said He would establish the throne of his kingdom forever**

c. David was told his son would be punished if he sinned - 7:14

**The Lord said He would be his Father, and He shall be My son
The Lord said He would chasten him if he sinned
The Lord said this would happen with the blows of the sons of men**

d. David was told God's mercy would never depart from his household - 7:15

**The Lord said His mercy would not depart from him
The Lord had taken His mercy from Saul
The Lord had removed Saul before David became king**

e. David was told his throne would be established forever - 7:16

**David was told his house and his kingdom would be established forever
God told Isaiah this promise would be fulfilled in Christ - Is. 9:6-7
Mary had this same promise repeated to her - Luke 1:31-33
David was told his throne would be established forever
Ethan said his throne would be forever as the days of heaven - Ps. 89:29
The Father said to Christ that His throne would be forever - Heb. 1:8**

f. David was told all these things by Nathan - 7:17

**Nathan was given all these words in a vision
Nathan then spoke all these words to David**

4. David prayed and gave praise to the Lord - 7:18-29

a. David said he knew he was just a servant - 7:18-21

**David went in and sat before the Lord
David asked the Lord who he was and who his house was
David asked the Lord why the Lord had brought him this far
David said the Lord had given a much greater promise about the future
David realized this was a promise for all mankind
David asked what more he could say to the Lord
David said that the Lord knew that David was His servant
David said this was God's word that came from the heart of God
David said it was a great thing for the Lord to let His servant know**

b. David expressed his praise for the greatness of God - 7:22-26

**David said the Lord is great and there is no One like the Lord
David said there was no God besides the Lord
David said it was amazing to hear what he heard with his ears
David said there was no one like Israel that had the promises of God
David said God had chosen to redeem for Himself a people
David said God had chosen to show His great and awesome deeds in His land
David said God had redeemed this people for Himself from Egypt
David said God had made Israel His very own people forever
David said that God had become their God
David asked the Lord to establish His word concerning His servant
David asked the Lord to confirm it forever as He had spoken
David said the Lord of hosts is the God over Israel
David asked that the house of David be established before the Lord**

c. David asked the Lord to do as He said and bless him - 7:27-29

**David said the Lord had revealed to His servant He would build his house
David said that was why he felt he could pray this prayer to the Lord
David told the Lord that He is God and His words are true
David said the Lord promised good to His servant
David asked the Lord to bless the house of His servant
David asked that his house would continue before the Lord forever
David said God had spoken that His blessing would be forever**

E. the Lord expanded the kingdom of David - 8:1-18

1. The Lord gave David victory over the Philistines and Moab - 8:1-2

a. David defeated the Philistines in battle - 8:1

David attacked the Philistines and subdued them
The Philistines had frequently made Israel suffer - I Sam. 4:9; 17:-10
David took Metheg Ammah from the hand of the Philistines

b. David defeated Moab and they became servants - 8:2

David defeated Moab and forced them down to the ground
David measured the Moabites with lines
Two lines were those to be put to death
One full line was those to be kept alive
The Moabite's became David's servants, and brought tribute

2. The Lord gave David victory over Zobah and the Syrians - 8:3-4

David defeated Hadadezer, the son of Rehob, king of Zobah
David went to recover his territory at the River Euphrates
David took 1000 chariots, 700 horsemen and 20,000 foot soldiers
David hamstringed all the chariot horses
David spared enough horses for one hundred chariots

3. David defeated the Syrians when they came to help Hadadezer 8:5-8

The Syrians came to help Hadadezer king of Zobah
David killed 22,000 of the Syrians
David put garrisons in Syria of Damascus
The Syrians became servants of David and brought tribute
The Lord preserved David wherever he went
The Lord had earlier given David rest from his enemies - II Sam. 6:11
David took the shields of gold that belonged to the servants of Hadadezer
These were for decoration and not for battle
David brought those shields to the city of Jerusalem
Betah and Berothai were cities of Hadadezer
David brought a large amount of bronze from these cities

4. The Lord gave David gifts from the king of Hamath - 8:9-12

**Toi was the king of Hamath
Toi heard that David had defeated all of the army of Hadadezer
Toi sent his son Joram to King David to greet him and bless him
Toi did this because David had fought and defeated Hadadezer
Hadadezer had been at war with Toi before David defeated him
Joram brought David articles of silver, gold and bronze
David dedicated these metal articles to the Lord
David dedicated all the silver and gold of the nations to the Lord
This included Syria, Moab, and the people of Ammon
It also included the things from the Philistines and Amalek
It included all the spoil from Hadadezer, king of Zobah**

5. David killed 18,000 Syrians in the Valley of Salt - 8:13

**David made a name for himself by his victories
David returned from killing 18,000 Syrians in the Valley of Salt**

6. The Lord gave David control over Edom - 8:14

**David put garrisons throughout all Edom
The Edomites became the servants of David
The Lord preserved David wherever he went**

7. David ruled Israel with justice - 8:15

**David reigned over all Israel
David administered judgment and justice to all his people**

8. David gave responsibilities to various men - 8:16-18

**Joab the son of Zeruiah was over the army
Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was recorder
Zadok the son of Ahitub was one of the priests
Ahimelech the son of Abiathar was the other priest
Seraiah was the scribe
Benaiah was over both the Cherethites and the Pelethites
The sons of David were chief ministers**

F. The Lord showed kindness to Mephibosheth through David - 9:1-13

1. Mephibosheth was the son of Jonathan - 9:1-4

**David asked if there was still anyone left of the house of Saul
David wanted to show him kindness for the sake of Jonathan
There was a servant of the house of Saul named Ziba
David had someone bring Ziba to David
David then asked him, "Are you Ziba?" and he said, "At your service!"
Ziba said, David asked Ziba if there was still someone of the house of Saul
David said that he wanted to show the kindness of God
Ziba said there was one son of Jonathan who was lame in his feet
David asked where that son was presently living
Ziba said he was in the house of Machir in Lo-debar**

2. Mephibosheth was shown kindness by David - 9:5-8

**David sent and brought him from the house of Machir
Machir lived in Lo-debar in Gilead 10 miles south of the Sea of Galilee
Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan, came to David
Mephibosheth fell on his face and prostrated himself before David
David asked him if he was Mephibosheth
Mephibosheth answered, "Here is your servant!"
David told Mephibosheth not to fear
David said he wanted to show him kindness for Jonathan's sake
David said he would restore him all of the land of Saul his grandfather
David said that Mephibosheth would eat at his table continually
Mephibosheth said, "What is your servant?"
Mephibosheth asked why David would "look upon such a dead dog as I?"**

3. Mephibosheth was provided for by David - 9:9-13

**David told Ziba he had given Mephibosheth all that belonged to Saul
David told Ziba that he and his servants should work his land for him
David said that Mephibosheth would always eat at his table
Ziba said he would do all that David commanded him to do
David said Mephibosheth would be as one of the king's sons
Mephibosheth had a young son whose name was Micha
Mephibosheth lived in Jerusalem and ate at the king's table
Mephibosheth was lame in both of his feet**

G. The Lord gave victory over Ammon and Syria - 10:1-19

1. Ammon humiliated the messengers of David - 10:1-5

a. David wanted to show kindness to Hanun - 10:1-2

**After this the king of the people of Ammon died
Hanun his son became the new king in his place
David said he would show kindness to Hanun , the son of Nahash
David wanted to return the kindness that Nahash had shown to him
David sent his servants to comfort Hanun concerning his father
David's servants came to the land of the people of Ammon**

b. David had his kindness totally changed by the princes - 10:3

**The princes of the people gave a very different reason for them coming
They asked Hanun if he thought that David really honored his father
They asked if that was the reason he thought David sent his servants
The princes said they came to search the city
The princes said they came to spy out the city, and overthrow it**

c. Hanun humiliated the servants of David - 10:4-5

**Hanun shaved off half the beards of each of David's servants
Hanun cut off their robes to expose their buttocks and sent them away
David heard and sent men to meet them because they were very ashamed
David told them they could stay in Jericho until their beards were grown**

2. Ammon prepared to fight against David - 10:6-10

**The people of Ammon saw they had made themselves repulsive to David
The people of Ammon hired 33,000 Syrian soldiers to help them fight
David sent Joab and all the mighty men of Israel to fight
The people of Ammon prepared to battle at the gate
The Syrians were by themselves in the field
Joab saw that they were both in front of and behind him
Joab chose the best men of Israel to fight against the Syrians
Joab put the rest of the people under the command of Abishai
The men under Abishai were to fight against the people of Ammon**

3. Ammon and Syria were defeated by David - 10:11-19

a. The results of the the battle against Ammon and Syria - 10:11-14

1) Joab told his men how to help each other - 10:11

**Joab said if the Syrians were to strong that those with Abishai were to help
Joab said if the Ammonites were to strong, his men would help Abishai**

2) Joab told his men to be of good courage - 10:12

**Joab told Abishai and all the men to be of good courage
Joab said to be strong for their people and their cities
Joab said to be strong for our God
Joab asked that the Lord would do what was good in His sight**

3) Joab and Abishai both won victories - 10:13-14

**Joab and the people with him drew near the Syrians for battle
Joab saw the Syrians flee before him
The people of Ammon saw the Syrians fleeing
The people of Ammon then fled from Abishai
The people of Ammon then entered their city
Joab returned and went to Jerusalem**

b. The results of the second battle with Syria - 10:15-19

1) Syria prepared to fight again - 10:15-16

**The Syrians gathered together after Israel defeated them
Hadadezer brought more Syrians from beyond the river
Shobach the commander of Hadadezer's army led them**

2) Syria set themselves to fight against David - 10:17-19

**David gathered all Israel and crossed over the Jordan
The Syrians lined up for battle against David and fought against him
The Syrians fled before Israel and had great losses
All the kings who were servants of Hadadezer made peace with David
The Syrians were afraid to help the people of Ammon any more**

III. David committed sin against God and man - 11:1-27

A. Uriah had his wife taken by David - 11:1-5

1. David remained in Jerusalem when his army went to fight - 11:1

**Spring was the time of year when kings went out to fight
David sent Joab along with all his servants and all Israel
Joab destroyed the people of Ammon and laid siege against Rabbah
David remained behind at Jerusalem**

2. David committed adultery with Bathsheba - 11:2-5

**David got up from his bed one evening
David walked on the roof of the king's house
David saw a woman bathing as he walked on the roof
David saw the woman was very beautiful as he looked at her
David sent and inquired about the woman
David learned she was Bathsheba, the wife of Uriah the Hittite
David sent messengers to take her and bring her to David
Bathsheba was cleansed from her impurity
David had her brought in and committed adultery with her
David then sent her back to her house
Bathsheba conceived a child as a result of that night
David would later learn the consequences of his sin - II Samuel 12:9-14
David also learned there are other consequences of sin - Ps. 32:1-4
David sent word to David that she was pregnant by him**

B. Uriah did not know David was trying to cover his sin - 11:6-13

1. David called for Uriah to try and cover his sin - 11:6-8

**David sent a message to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite"
Joab sent Uriah the Hittite as David had requested
David asked Uriah how Joab and the people were doing
David asked about the state of the progress of the war
David told Uriah to go to his house and wash his feet (go to bed)
David was trying to hide and cover his sin - II Sam. 11:4
David also sent a gift of food for Uriah and his wife**

2. David learned that Uriah was a man of great integrity - 11:9-11

**Uriah slept at the door of the king's house
Uriah slept with the servants of David
Uriah did not go to his own house
David was told that Uriah did not go to his own house
David told Uriah that he had come from a journey
David asked Uriah why he did not go down to his own house
Uriah said the ark of Israel and Judah were dwelling in tents
Uriah said Joab and the troop were camped in open fields
Uriah asked if he should go to his house to eat and drink
Uriah asked if he should go and lie with his wife
Uriah said that he considered David a faithful man
Uriah said that as a result he would not do this thing**

3. David got Uriah drunk this time to cover his own sin - 11:12-13

**David told Uriah to stay for another night
Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day and the next
David ate and drank and made Uriah drunk
Uriah went out to lie on his bed with the servants
Uriah did not go down to his own house**

C. Uriah was set up for death - 11:14-17

**David wrote a letter to Joab in the morning
David sent that letter by the hand of Uriah
David wrote telling Joab how to make Uriah die
Uriah was to be put in the front of the hottest battle
Joab was then to have the other soldiers retreat from Uriah
God said that David had killed Uriah with the sword - II Sam. 12:9
Joab was to make sure Uriah was struck down and killed
Joab followed the instructions of David as he besieged the city
Joab put Uriah at the place where he knew there were valiant men
Then the men of the city came out and fought with Joab
Some of the people were killed in that battle
Uriah was one of the men who died in that battle
God said David killed Uriah with the sword of Ammon - II Sam. 12:9
God said David despised Him by these actions - II Sam. 12:10**

D. Uriah was reported killed on the battlefield - 11:18-21

Joab sent and told David all things about the war
Joab gave the messenger special instructions
Joab told the man what to tell David when he finished matters of the war
Joab said that the king might become angry
Joab said the king might ask why they got so close to the city
Joab said he might ask why he did not know they would shoot from the wall
Joab said that was how Abimelech had died
Joab said a woman threw a piece of a millstone on him from the wall
Joab said that was how Abimelech died in Thebez
Joab said what to say if questioned about why they went near the wall
Joab said to tell David that Uriah the Hittite was dead also

E. Uriah had his death reported to David - 11:22-25

The messenger told David all that Joab had sent by him
David heard the men prevailed against Israel and came out into the field
David heard Israel drove them back as far as the entrance of the gate
David heard the archers shot from the wall at the servants of the king
David heard that some of the king's servants (soldiers) had died
David heard that Uriah the Hittite had also been killed
David told the messenger what to say to Joab
David told Joab not to be displeased
David said the sword devours one as well as another
David said to strengthen the attack against the city
David said to overthrow the city
David told the messenger to encourage Joab

F. Uriah was mourned by Bathsheba - 11:26-27

Bathsheba heard that Uriah her husband was dead
Bathsheba mourned for her husband
David waited until her mourning was over
David then sent and brought her into his house
Bathsheba became his wife and bore him a son
David saw that son die - II Sam. 12:14; 12:18-19
David had done evil in the sight of the Lord
David later realized his sin was against the Lord - Ps. 51:1-4

IV. David experienced the consequences of his sin - 12:1-20:26

A. The consequences which David experienced immediately - 12:1-31

1. David was told a story by Nathan - 12:1-6

**Nathan was sent to David by the Lord
Nathan told David a story about two men - one rich and one poor
Nathan said the rich man had many flock and herds
The poor man had only one small female lamb
The poor man had bought and then nourished this lamb as it grew
The lamb grew up with the man and his children
The lamb would eat and even sleep with the family
The lamb was so loved it was like a child in the family
The rich man had a traveler come to him in his travels
The rich man refused to take from his flock to feed the traveler
The rich man took the poor man's lamb and prepared it for his visitor
David had his anger greatly aroused against the man
David told Nathan the rich man would surely die
David said the rich man would have to give four lambs to the poor man
David said this would be the penalty because he had no pity**

2. David heard that he was the guilty person - 12:7-12

a. Nathan told David that he was the guilty man - 12:7

**Nathan told David he was the guilty man
David thought he had hidden his sin - II Sam. 11:4
David then tried to cover his sin - II Sam. 11:8-13
David decided to commit murder - II Sam. 11:15
Nathan said the Lord had appointed David king over Israel
Nathan said the Lord delivered David from the hand of Saul**

b. Nathan told David that the Lord had blessed him greatly - 12:8

**Nathan said the Lord gave David his master's house
Nathan said the Lord gave the wives of his master into his keeping
Nathan said the Lord gave David the house of Israel and Judah
Nathan said the Lord would have given David much more**

c. Nathan told David that he had killed Uriah - 12:9

**David had despised the commandment of the Lord
David had done evil in the sight of the Lord
David had killed Uriah the Hittite with the sword
David had taken the wife of Uriah as his wife
David used the sword of the people of Ammon to kill Uriah**

d. Nathan told David the sword would never depart from his house - 12:10

**David heard the sword would never depart from his house
David had despised the Lord by his actions
David had taken the wife of Uriah to be his wife**

e. Nathan told David one from his family would lie with his wives - 12:11

**David was told he would have conflict from within his house
David would see his own wives taken by someone else
David was told he would lie with David's wives in public**

f. Nathan told David he did his secret sin would become public - 12:12

**David had committed his sin in secret
David would have his shame revealed before all Israel**

3. David heard that his child would die - 12:13-14

a. David said he had sinned against the Lord - 12:13

**David said that he had sinned against the Lord
David confessed his sin and was forgiven - Ps. 51:1-4
David was told the Lord had put away his sin
David was told that he would not die**

b. David had caused his enemies to blaspheme the Lord - 12:14

**David was told his sin gave his enemies a great opportunity
David was told his enemies would blaspheme
David was told that the child would certainly die
Sin has consequences even when it is forgiven - Gal. 6:7-8**

4. David heard that his child had died - 12:15-19

**Nathan departed and went to his house
The Lord struck the child that Uriah's wife bore to David
The child became very sick when the Lord struck it
David pleaded with God for the child
David fasted and went and laid all night on the ground
David saw the elders of his house come to him to get him up
David refused and did not get up or go eat food with them
The child died on the seventh day
The servants were afraid to tell David that the child was dead
The servants saw that David would not listen when the child was alive
The servants were afraid to tell David that the child had died
The servants were afraid that David would harm himself
David saw that his servants were whispering
David knew that the child had died when he saw the servants whisper
David asked the servants and they told him, "He is dead."**

5. David had hope for the future - 12:20-23

a. David got up, washed himself and went to worship God - 12:20

**David got up and washed, anointed himself and changed his clothes
David went to the house of the Lord and worshiped
David then went home, asked for food and then ate the food**

b. David was asked why he began to eat once the child died - 12:21-22

**The servants asked David why he had done this
The servants said David fasted and wept while the child was alive
The servants said when the child died that David got up and ate
David explained why he fasted and wept while the child was alive
David thought the Lord might be gracious to him and let him live**

c. David looked forward to seeing his son in the resurrection -12:23

**David said that now the child was dead there was no need to fast
David said that he could not bring back the child from the dead
David said that he would go to the child in the future
David knew little children would be raised to life - Matt. 18:1-5; 19:13-15**

6. David was blessed with the birth of Solomon - 12:24-25

a. David comforted Bathsheba and God gave them Solomon -12:24

**David comforted Bathsheba his wife
David went in and lay with her
David saw her give birth to another son and he named him Solomon
The Lord loved Solomon who was born to Bathsheba**

b. David heard Nathan call the son “Beloved of the Lord” - 12:25

**The Lord sent word by the Nathan the prophet
Jedidiah (Beloved of the Lord) was the name given him by Nathan**

7. David experienced victory at Rabbah - 12:26-31

a. David heard that Joab had fought against Rabbah - 12:26-27

**Joab fought Rabbah of the people of Ammon
(This was the royal city of the people of Ammon)
Joab then sent messengers to David
Joab sent the message that he had fought against Rabbah
Joab said that he had taken the water supply of the city**

b. David was told to gather all Israel and conquer Rabbah - 12:28

**Joab told David to gather the rest of Israel and encamp against Rabbah
Joab told David that David should be the one who conquered the city
Joab said that he did not want the city called by his name**

c. David led the people and conquered Rabbah - 12:29-31

**David gathered all of the army of Israel together
David went to Rabbah, fought against it and conquered it
David took the crown of their king and set it on his head
(The crown weighted a talent of gold and also had precious stones)
David brought an abundance of spoil from the city
David made slaves of the people of Rabbah
David conquered all the cities of Ammon and returned to Jerusalem**

B. The consequences in the life of Amnon and Tamar - 13:1-39

1. Amnon had a great desire for Tamar - 13:1-5

Absalom, the son of David, had a beautiful sister named Tamar

Amnon, another son of David, loved (lusted for) her

Amnon was so distressed over his sister that he became sick

Tamar was a virgin

Amnon knew it was improper for him to do anything to her

Amnon had a friend named Jonadab who was also his cousin

Jonadab was a very crafty or shrewd man

The heart is deceitful and desperately wicked - Jer. 17:9

Jonadab asked Amnon why he was becoming thinner day by day

Amnon had already committed adultery in his heart - Matt. 5:28

Amnon said, "I love Tamar, my brother's Absalom's sister."

True love is patient and kind - I Cor. 13:4

The unfaithful will be caught by their lust - Prov. 11:6

Jonadab told Amnon to lie down on his bed and pretend to be sick

Jonadab told Amnon what to do when David came to visit him

Jonadab said to ask for Tamar to make cakes in his sight for him to eat

2. Amnon used a trick to rape Tamar - 13:6-14

a. Amnon prepared his plan to rape Tamar - 13:6-10

Amnon lay down and pretended to be sick

Amnon was laying there when the king came to see him

Amnon asked if Tamar could come and make cakes in his sight

Amnon said he wanted to eat the cakes from her hand

David sent Tamar to the house of Amnon to prepare food for him

Tamar went to the house of Amnon and he was laying down

Tamar took flour kneaded it, made cakes in his sight and baked them

Tamar took the pan and placed the cakes before Amnon

Amnon refused to eat the cakes that she had placed before him

Amnon asked everyone to leave and they all went out from him

Amnon asked Tamar to bring the cakes into the bedroom

Amnon said that he wanted to eat from her hand

Tamar then took the cakes that she had made

Tamar brought the cakes to Amnon her brother in the bedroom

b. Amnon used his strength to rape Tamar - 13:11-14

**Tamar brought the cakes to Amnon to eat
Amnon grabbed her and said, "Come, lie with me, my sister."
Tamar said, "No my brother do not force me" (rape me)
Tamar said that no such thing should be done in Israel
Tamar begged Amnon not to do such a disgraceful thing
Tamar asked where she would be able to take her shame
His evil action would bring great shame on her - Deut. 22:14
Tamar said that Amnon would be like one of the fools in Israel
Tamar said to speak to the king about marriage instead
Tamar said the king would not withhold her from him
Amnon refused to listen to what Tamar had said
Amnon was stronger than Tamar so he took her and forced her**

3. Amnon had his lust turn to hate - 13:15-18

**Amnon hated Tamar once he had raped her
Amnon had a greater hatred than any love he had claimed
Rape is a sin of lust and hatred and not of love
Amnon said to her "Arise. Be gone."
Tamar said, "No, indeed!" to his total lack of respect
Tamar said that was even worse than the rape
Amnon would not listen to the words of Tamar
Amnon called his servant who attended him
Amnon said, "Here! Put this woman out, away from me,
and bolt the door behind her"
Tamar had a on a robe of many colors
The virgin daughters of the king wore such apparel
The servant put her out and bolted the door behind her**

4. Amnon brought great shame to Tamar - 13:19-20

a. Tamar tore the clothing to show she had been raped - 13:19

**Tamar put ashes on her head
Tamar tore her robe of many colors
Amnon had stolen her virginity by his rape of her
Tamar laid her hand on her head and went away crying bitterly**

b. Tamer was not comforted by her brother Absalom - 13:20

Absalom asked Tamar if Amnon had been with her
Absalom told Tamar to hold her peace
Absalom said, "He is your brother; do not take this thing to heart"
This is the kind of wound that breaks human spirits - Prov. 15:13, 17:22, 18:14
Tamar remained desolate in her brother Absalom's house

5. Amnon was hated by Absalom for what he had done - 13:21-22

a. David was very angry when he heard what Amnon had done - 13:21

David was very angry when he heard what Amnon had done
However, David gave no punishment to Amnon
The punishment for adultery was death - Lev. 20:10
The penalty for raping a virgin was severe - Deut. 22:28-29

b. David did not know Absalom hated Amnon for what he had done - 13:22

Absalom spoke to his brother neither good nor bad
Absalom hated Amnon because he had raped his sister Tamar

6. Amnon was murdered by Absalom - 13:23-29

a. Absalom got Amnon away from Jerusalem - 13:23-27

Absalom waited two full years for the right time to carry out his revenge
Absalom chose himself the avenger since David did nothing - Num. 35:26-28
Absalom had sheepshearers in Baal Hazor, which is near Ephraim
Absalom invited all of the king's sons to attend the feast there
Absalom carefully hid what he planned to do - II Sam. 13:29
Absalom told his father that he had sheepshearers and a feast
Absalom invited his father to go with him to the feast
David said it was not good for him to go because that would be a burden
David did give his blessing to Absalom and the feast
Absalom asked David to please let Amnon go with them
David asked, "Why should he go with you?"
Absalom just kept urging David to let him go
David then let Amnon and all of the king's sons go with Absalom

b. Absalom had his servants kill Amnon - 13:28-29

1) Absalom got Amnon drunk so his servants could kill him - 13:28

**Absalom had told his servants in advance what to do
Absalom told them to wait until Amnon was drunk with wine
Absalom said that he would tell them when to kill Amnon
Absalom told them not to be afraid because he had commanded them
Absalom commanded his servants to be courageous and valiant**

2) Absalom had his servants kill Amnon when he was drunk - 13:29

**The servants did to Amnon as Absalom had commanded
The king's sons arose, got on their mules and fled**

c. Absalom returned to Jerusalem - 13:30-36

**David was given wrong news while his sons were still returning
David heard that Absalom had killed all of the king's sons
David arose, tore his garments and lay on the ground
David saw all of his servants also tear their clothes
Jonadab told David what had really happened
Jonadab said that they had not killed all of the king's sons
Jonadab said they had only killed Amnon
Jonadab said that had been determined from the day he raped Tamar
Jonadab told the king not to take this thing to his heart
Jonadab said that only Amnon was dead
Absalom had quickly fled before the people got back to Jerusalem
The guard saw many people coming from the road on the hillside
Jonadab told the king to look because his sons were coming
The king's sons came weeping as they came
The king and his servants wept very bitterly**

d. Absalom was forced to flee - 13:37-39

**Absalom fled to the king of Geshur
David mourned for his son every day
Absalom fled to Geshur and stayed there three years
David longed to go to Absalom
David was comforted concerning Amnon because he was dead**

C. The consequences continued although David forgave Absalom - 14:1-33

1. Joab had a plan to bring back Absalom - 14:1-20

a. A wise woman was brought to Joab - 14:1-3

**Joab realized that the king's heart was concerned about Absalom
Joab sent to Tekoa and brought a wise woman from there
Joab told her to pretend to be a mourner and put on mourning clothes
Joab told her not to anoint herself with oil
Joab told her to act like a woman who had been mourning a long time
Joab told her to go to the king and speak to him in this manner
Joab put these words in the mouth of the woman**

b. A wise woman told a story to David - 14:4-7

**The woman of Tekoa went and spoke to the king
The woman fell on her face to the ground and prostrated herself
The woman then said, "Help, O king!"
The king asked the woman, "What troubles you?"
The woman said that she was a widow because her husband had died
The woman said that she had two sons who fought with each other
The woman said the one struck the other and killed him
The woman said the whole family had risen up against her
The woman said the whole family wanted to put remaining son to death
The family wanted to execute him for the life of the brother he killed
The woman said that would destroy the heir also
The woman said that would remove their family name from the earth**

c. A wise woman was answered by David - 14:8-11

**The king told the woman to go to her house and he would give orders
The woman said, "Let the iniquity be on me and my father's house"
The woman said that the king and his throne would be guiltless
The king said, "Whoever says anything to you, bring him to me"
The king said that person would not touch her any more
The woman said, "Please let the king remember the Lord your God"
The woman said not to let the avenger of blood destroy anymore
The woman said that she did not want her son destroyed
The king said not one hair of her son would be destroyed**

d. A wise woman asked David why he had banished his son - 14:12-17

**The woman asked if she could speak another word to the king
The woman was told to go ahead and speak
The woman asked why the king had schemed against the people of God
The woman said that the king was speaking as one who was guilty
The woman said the king did not bring his banished son home
The woman said they would die and become like spilled water
The woman said such water cannot be gathered up again
The woman said God did not take away the life of the king
The woman said God devised a way to bring back His banished ones
The woman said she spoke this because the people made her afraid
The woman said she decided to come and speak to the king
The woman said she thought the king would perform her request
The king would deliver from the hand of the avenger
The woman said the king would not allow him to destroy she and her son
The woman said that the words of the king would be comforting to her
The woman said the king was like an angel in discerning good and evil
The woman asked that the Lord your God would be with David**

e. A wise woman was told that Joab was speaking through her - 14:18-20

**The king asked the woman not to hide anything from him
The woman said, "Please, let my lord the king speak"
The king asked the woman if Joab was behind all that she said
The woman said that the king was very discerning in all he spoke
The woman said that Joab had commanded her to speak
The woman said Joab put all these words in her mouth
The woman said Joab did it to change the present state of affairs
The woman said the king was wise and had the wisdom of an angel
The woman said that the king knew everything that was going on**

2. Joab was told to bring Absalom back to Jerusalem 14:21-24

**David told Joab to go get Absalom as he had granted this thing
Joab fell to the ground, bowed himself and thanked the king
Joab said the king had fulfilled the request of his servant
Joab went to Geshur and brought Absalom to Jerusalem
David said he could return to his own home but could not see the king
Absalom returned to his own house but did not see the king's face**

3. Joab brought Absalom to David - 14:25-33

a. Absalom was very handsome - 14:25-27

**Absalom was more praised for his good looks than anyone else in Israel
Absalom had no blemish from the bottom of his feet to the top of his head
Absalom cut his hair once a year because it became so heavy
Absalom had about 5 pounds of hair cut off when he cut it each year
Absalom had three sons and one daughter
His daughter Tamar was a woman of beautiful appearance**

b. Absalom burned the field of Joab - 14:28-30

**Absalom lived two full years in Jerusalem but did not see the king's face
Absalom sent for Joab to send him to the king
Joab would not come to see Absalom
Absalom sent a second time but he would not come
Absalom told his servants his plan to get Joab to come
Joab had a field of barley near the field of Absalom
Absalom told his servants to set the field on fire
Absalom's servants went and set the field on fire**

c. Absalom was brought to David by Joab - 14:31-33

**Joab arose and came to the house of Absalom
Joab asked Absalom why his servants set his field on fire
Absalom said that he had sent for Joab to come to him
Absalom said he sent messengers asking Joab to come to him
Absalom showed he was still bitter in his heart - II Sam. 14:24
Absalom told Joab he wanted him to the king to ask a question
Absalom wanted to ask the king, "Why have I come from Geshur?"
Absalom said it would be better for him still to be in Geshur
Absalom said that he wanted to see the king's face
Absalom said if he had sinned to let the king execute him
Joab went to the king and told him what Absalom said
King David then called for Absalom to come
Absalom then came to the king
Absalom bowed on his face to the ground
Then the king kissed Absalom**

D. The consequences included the rebellion of Absalom - 15:1-18:33

1. Absalom revolted against David - 15:1-37

a. David did not know what Absalom was doing - 15:1-2

**Absalom provided himself with chariots and horses
Absalom had fifty men run in front of him
Absalom would stand by the gate early in the morning
Absalom talked to all those who came to ask David about lawsuits
Absalom was ask each person what city he came from**

b. David did not know Absalom was stealing the hearts of the people - 15:3-6

**Absalom would tell each person his case was right
Absalom told each one there was no deputy of the king to hear them
Absalom said it would be different if he were made a judge
Absalom said he would take time to listen to hear each one
Absalom said that he would give each one justice
Absalom also kissed the hand of each one who came
Absalom did this to all who came to the king for judgment
Absalom stole the hearts of the men of Israel**

c. David did not know that Absalom was rebelling - 15:7-12

**Absalom came to the king after he had ruled for forty years
Absalom asked if he could go to Hebron to pay a vow to the Lord
Absalom said that he had made this vow when he was in Geshur
Absalom said he had promised to serve the Lord in Jerusalem
Absalom was told to go in peace so he went to Hebron
Absalom sent spies throughout the land of Israel
The spies were told what to say when they heard the sound of the trumpet:
“Absalom reigns in Hebron”
Absalom invited two hundred men from Jerusalem to go with him
Absalom did not tell those men what was going to happen
Absalom also sent for Ahithophel the Gilonite, David’s counselor
Ahithophel came from Giloh while Absalom was offering sacrifices
The conspiracy continued to grow stronger
Absalom continued to have more people follow him**

d. David was forced to flee - 15:13-23

1) David and his servants fled from Jerusalem - 15:13-18

**David heard, “The hearts of the men of Israel were with Absalom”
David spoke to all his servants who were with him in Jerusalem
David told them they should hurry and flee to escape from Absalom
David was afraid Absalom would overtake then suddenly
David said that would bring disaster on those with David
David said Absalom might strike the city with the edge of the sword
David heard the servants were ready to do whatever he commanded
David left Jerusalem with all his household with him
David left ten women, concubines, to keep the house
David went out with all the people following him
David stopped at the outskirts of the city
David saw all of his servants pass before him
David saw the Cherethites, the Pelethites and the Gittites pass by
David saw the six hundred men who followed him from Gath pass by**

2) David realized Ittai chose to go with him - 15:19-20

**David asked Ittai the Gittite, “Why are you also going with us?”
David told Ittai to return and remain when Absalom came
David said Ittai was a foreigner and also an exile from his place
David said that Ittai had only reached Jerusalem the previous day
David said he did not expect Ittai to wander with him
David said he did not even know where he was going
David told Ittai to return and also take those with him back
David added, “Mercy and truth be with you.”**

3) David heard how Ittai felt in his heart - 15:21-23

**Ittai said that wherever David went that was where he wanted to be
Ittai said that was true whether it meant life or death
David then said to Ittai, “Go and pass over”
Ittai, his men and the little ones with him then passed over
All the people passed over weeping with loud voices
David himself then also crossed over the Brook Kidron
All the people crossed over and went toward the wilderness**

d. David sent the ark back to Jerusalem - 15:24-30

1) David saw that the priests were bringing the ark - 15:24-26

**Zadok and all the Levites came bearing the ark of the covenant of God
Abiathar came up until all the people finished passing from the city
David told Zadok to carry the ark back into the city
David said if he found favor with the Lord, He would bring David back
David said if he did not find favor with the Lord, let Him do what seems good**

2) David recognized the priest as a prophet - 15:27-30

**David told Zadok, Abiathar and their sons to return to the city in peace
David said he wait in the wilderness until they sent word to inform him
Zadok and Abiathar carried the ark of God back to Jerusalem
David then went up by the Ascent of the Mount of Olives
David wept, had his head covered and went barefoot as he went up
All the people also covered their heads and wept as they went up**

e. David sent Hushai back to Jerusalem - 15:31-37

1) David prayed that the Lord would stop the counsel of Ahithophel - 15:31

**David was told that Ahithophel was among the conspirators
David prayed the Lord would make the counsel of Ahithophel foolishness**

2) David saw Hushai come to meet him - 15:32-37

**Hushai came to meet David with his robe torn and dust on his head
David told Hushai he would become a burden if he went with David
David had a very important ministry for Hushai to carry out
David said to return to the city and tell Absalom he would be his servant
David said that way he could defeat the counsel of Ahithophel
David told him he that he had the priests there to help him
David said whatever he heard from the king's house to tell the priests
David said that he could sent a message with the sons of the priests
David said to send everything he heard by those sons
Hushai, David's friend, then went into the city
Absalom also arrived and came into the city**

2. Absalom became king and entered Jerusalem - 16:1-23

a. David was deceived by Ziba - 16:1-4

**David was met by Ziba, the servant of Mephibosheth
Ziba met David with a couple of saddled donkeys
They had on them bread raisins, summer fruit and a skin of wine
David said to Ziba, "What do you mean to do with these?"
Ziba said the donkeys were for the king's household to ride
Ziba said the bread and summer fruit were for the young men to eat
Ziba said the wine was for those who are faint in the wilderness to drink
David asked "And where is your master's son?"
Ziba said he had stayed in Jerusalem
Ziba said he thought the kingdom would be restored to him
David said all that belonged to Mephibosheth was given to Ziba
Ziba thanked David for finding favor in his sight**

b. David was cursed by Shimei - 16:5-14

1) David was treated evilly by Shimei - 16:5-9

**Shimei was the son of Gera from the family of Saul
Shimei was cursing David continually as he came
Shimei threw stones as David, all of his servants and all the people
Shimei called David a bloodthirsty and worthless man
Shimei said the Lord had brought on David all the blood of the house of Saul
Shimei said the Lord delivered the kingdom to Absalom
Shimei said David was caught in his evil because he was a bloodthirsty man
Abishai offered to kill Shimei for his cursing of David**

2) David told Abishai to let Shimei curse - 16:10-14

**David said to just let Shimei curse if the Lord told him to do so
David said his own son was seeking his life so just let Shimei alone
David said he would look to the Lord to repay him for being cursed
David and his men just kept walking along the road
Shimei walked along the hillside cursing, throwing stones and kicking dust
David and all those with him became weary
David and those with him refreshed themselves at Bahurim**

c. David left Hushai in Jerusalem to help him - 16:15-19

1) Absalom came into the city of Jerusalem - 16:15

**Absalom and all the people with him came into Jerusalem
Absalom also had Ahithophel come with him**

2) Absalom heard Hushai was there to serve Israel - 16:16-19

**Hushai, David's friend came to Absalom
Hushai said to Absalom, "Long live the King! Long live the King!"
Absalom asked Hushai if that was loyalty to his friend
Absalom asked Hushai why he did not go along with his friend
Hushai said he served the one the Lord and His people chose
The Lord had chosen David but not Absalom - II Sam. 15:4
David asked Hushai to defeat the counsel of Ahithophel - II Sam. 15:34
The priests were also loyal to David - II Sam. 15:24-29
Hushai said that he was called to serve whoever was king
Hushai said he was there to serve the king the people chose
Hushai said that he served in the presence of David when he was king
Hushai said he would continue to serve in the presence of his son
Hushai said that he would serve Absalom just as he had served David**

d. David's concubines were raped by Absalom - 16:20-23

**Absalom asked Ahithophel for advice about what to do
Ahithophel said to go and rape his father's concubines
Ahithophel said that Israel would hear he made himself odious to his father
Ahithophel said that would make the hands of those with him stronger
Absalom had them pitch a tent for him on top of the house
Absalom raped his father's concubines in the sight of all Israel
Nathan had said this judgment would come - II Sam. 12:11-12
This consequence came even though David repented - II Sam. 12:13
Consequences come even though sin is forgiven - Gal. 6:7-8
Ahithophel was considered as if one had inquired of the word of God
Ahithophel had given advice earlier to David
David prayed that this counsel would be turned into foolishness - II Sam. 15:31
Ahithophel was now giving advice to Absalom
Ahithophel was part of the conspiracy - II Sam. 15:12**

a. Ahithophel suggested that he immediately pursue David - 17:1-4

**Ahithophel wanted to take twelve thousand men
Ahithophel wanted to pursue David that night
Ahithophel said he would catch David while he was weary and weak
Ahithophel said he would make David and the people afraid
Ahithophel said that then all of the people with him would flee
Ahithophel said he would only strike the king
Ahithophel said he would bring back all the people to Absalom
Ahithophel said the people would all return to Absalom
Ahithophel said then all the people would be at peace
Ahithophel's words pleased Absalom and all of the elders**

b. Ahithophel had his advice countered by Hushai - 17:5-14

1) Hushai was asked about the counsel of Ahithophel - 17:5-7

**Absalom said that he also wanted to hear what Hushai had to say
Absalom spoke to Hushai when he came to him
Absalom told Hushai the advice Ahithophel suggested
Absalom said if Hushai did not agree to speak up
The Lord had caused Absalom to have doubts - II Sam. 15:31
Hushai said the counsel of Ahithophel was not good at that time**

2) Hushai reminded Absalom what his father was like - 17:8-10

**Hushai said his father and men were mighty men
Hushai said his father and the men were enraged in their minds
Hushai said they were like a bear robbed of its cubs
Hushai also said his father was a man of war
Hushai said that he would not camp with the people
Hushai said he might already be hidden in a pit
Hushai said he might be hidden some other place
Hushai said that some of the 12,000 would be overthrown
Hushai said the people would say there was a slaughter
Hushai said the valiant had hearts like a lion
Hushai said even their hearts would be melted
Hushai said everyone knew David was a mighty man
Hushai said they knew the men with him were valiant**

3) Hushai suggested Absalom gather all Israel to him - 17:11-13

**Hushai counseled Absalom to gather all Israel to fight
Hushai said then they would be like the sand of sea in number
Hushai told Absalom that he should lead the battle in person
Hushai said then they would be able to find David
Hushai said they could fall on him like dew on the ground
Hushai said that then none of the men of David would be left
Hushai also said what they would do if David was in a city
Hushai said all Israel could bring ropes
Hushai said then they could pull the city into the river
Hushai said that they could completely destroy that city**

4) Hushai had his advice accepted by Absalom - 17:14

**Absalom said the advice of Hushai was better than Ahithophel
The Lord had purposed to defeat the good advice of Ahithophel
The Lord planned to bring disaster on Absalom**

c. Ahithophel had his advice passed on to David - 17:15-22

1) Hushai told the priests about his counsel - 17:15-16

**Hushai told the priests what Ahithophel advised
Hushai told the priests what he had advised
Hushai said to tell David not to spend the night in the plains
Hushai said to tell David to quickly cross the Jordan River
Hushai said otherwise David and the people might be swallowed up**

2) Hushai had his message passed to the sons of the priests 17:17-22

**The sons had stayed in En Rogel, a town near Jerusalem
A female servant delivered the message to them
A boy saw them and told Absalom
They quickly went to a man's house in Bahurim and were hid in a well
A woman put a covering on the well and spread grain over it
Absalom sent servants to the house and were told the sons had left
After searching the servants of Absalom returned to Jerusalem
The sons came out of the well, went to David and said to cross the Jordan
David and all with him had crossed the Jordan by morning**

d. Ahithophel committed suicide - 17:23

**Ahithophel saw that his advice was not followed
Ahithophel saddled his donkey and left Jerusalem
Ahithophel went to his home in his city
Ahithophel put his household in order, hanged himself and died
Ahithophel was buried in his father's tomb**

4. Absalom pursued David across the Jordan River - 17:24-29

a. David was pursued by Absalom - 17:24-26

**David went to the city of Mahanaim
Absalom crossed over the Jordan River
Absalom had all of the men of Israel with him
Absalom made Amasa captain of the army instead of Joab
Amasa was a cousin of Absalom, Abishai and Joab
Amasa was an Israelite born to Jithra and Abigail
Abigail was the sister of Joab's mother
Israel and Absalom encamped in the land of Gilead**

b. David was befriended in Mahanaim - 17:27-29

1) David saw some men in Mahanaim show him kindness - 17:27

**These men included Shobi the son of Nahash of the people of Ammon
These men included Machir the son of Ammiel from Lo Debar
These men included Barzillai, a Gileadite from Rogelim**

2) David saw those men bring needed supplies - 17:28-29

**These men brought beds, basins and earthen vessels
These men brought wheat, barley and flour
These men brought parched grain, beans, lentils and parched seeds
These men brought honey and curds
These men brought sheep and cheese from the herd
These men provided for David and all the people with him
The men saw that David and the people were hungry
These men saw that David and the people were weary and thirsty**

5. Absalom was killed on the battlefield - 18:1-18

a. Joab was told to show kindness to Absalom - 18:1-5

David numbered the people that were with him
David appointed captains of thousands and captains of hundreds
David put one third of the men under Joab
David put one third of the men under Abishai
David put one third of the men under Ittai
David told the people that he would also go with them
The people told David that he should not go to the battlefield
The people said that Absalom would not care about them
The people said Absalom would not care even if half of them died
The people told David he was worth ten thousand of them
The people told David he would be more help by being in the city
David said he would do what the people thought best
David stood by the gate as the people went out
David gave one instruction to the three commanders
“ Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom”
All the people heard David give instructions concerning Absalom
Joab later refused to obey those instructions - II Sam. 18:11-14

b. Joab heard that Absalom was hanging by his hair - 18:6-10

The people went out into the field of battle against Israel
The battle happened in the woods of Ephraim
This woods was east of the Jordan River and north of the Jabbok River
The people of Israel were defeated there before the servants of David
A total of slaughter of 20,000 people were killed that day
The battle was scattered over the face of the whole countryside
The woods killed more people than the sword that day
Absalom met the servants of David while riding on a mule
The mule went under the thick branches of a great terebinth tree
Absalom had his head caught in the branches of the terebinth tree
Absalom had a large amount of hair on his head to get caught - II Sam. 14:26
Absalom was left hanging between heaven and earth
The mule kept right on walking without him
A certain man saw what happened and told Joab
The man said, “I just saw Absalom hanging in a terebinth tree”

c. Joab murdered Absalom - 18:11-17

**Joab got upset with the man who just saw Absalom
Joab said, “Why did you not strike him there to the ground?”
Joab said he would have given him ten shekels of silver and a belt
The man said he would not have done it for a thousand shekels
The man said he would not raise his hand against the king’s son
The man reminded Joab of what the king had told him
David warned anyone who might hurt his son
The man said if he had done anything it would bring him judgment
The man said that nothing was hidden from the king
The man told Joab at that time Joab would have blamed him
Joab told the man he would not waste time talking to him
Joab took three spears and thrust them through the heart of Absalom
Joab did that while Absalom was still alive
Joab and the young men who carried his armor then killed Absalom
Joab blew the trumpet and the people returned from pursuing Israel
Joab held the people back the people from killing any others
Joab threw the body of Absalom into a large pit in the woods
Joab and the others piled a large heap of stones over Absalom
The men of Israel then all fled and returned to where they lived**

6. Absalom had named a pillar after himself - 18:18

**Absalom set up a pillar for himself during his life in the King’s Valley
Absalom had no son to name after himself so he named the pillar
There is still a monument called Absalom’s Monument**

7. Absalom brought great sorrow to David - 18:19-33

a. David had men come to bring him news about Absalom - 18:19-23

1) Joab was asked by Ahimaaz if he could take the news - 18:19-20

**Ahimaaz said, “Let me run now and take the news to the king”
Ahimaaz wanted to tell how the Lord had avenged him of his enemies
Joab told Ahimaaz he would not take the news that day
Joab said that Ahimaaz could take the news on another day
Joab told Ahimaaz not to take the news that the king’s son was dead**

2) Joab sent a Cushite to take the news - 18:21-23

**Joab told the Cushite, “Go tell the king what you have seen”
The Cushite bowed himself to Joab and then ran
Ahimaaz asked again if he could go
Ahimaaz asked if he could run after the Cushite
Joab asked him why he would run since he had no news ready
Ahimaaz said, “But whatever happens...let me run”
Ahimaaz ran by way of the plain and outran the Cushite**

b. David was told that two messengers were coming - 18:24-29

**David was sitting between the two gates
The watchman was on the roof over the gate
The watchman looked and saw that there was a man running alone
The watchman cried out and told the king
David said that if he was alone that he was bringing news
The runner came rapidly and got close to the city
The watchman said that he then saw another man running
The watchman told the gatekeeper, “There is another man, running alone!”
David said that he was also bringing news
Ahimaaz arrived and called to the king, “All is well.”
Ahimaaz bowed with his face to the ground in front of the king
Ahimaaz said that the Lord delivered the men who were against the king
David said, “Is the young man Absalom safe?”
Ahimaaz said there was a great crowd but he did not know what happened**

c. David heard about the death of Absalom - 18:30-32

**David told Ahimaaz to turn aside and stand still
The Cushite said, “There is good news, my lord the king!”
The Cushite said the Lord had avenged David of all who rose up against him
David asked the Cushite, “Is the young man Absalom safe?”
The Cush said that may all who rose against him be like that young man**

d. David mourned the death of Absalom - 18:33

**David was deeply moved and went to his room over the gate and wept
David said, “O my son Absalom — my son, my son Absalom.”**

E. The consequences included division in Israel - 19:1-20:26

1. David was told it was wrong to mourn - 19:1-7

a. Joab heard that David was mourning for Absalom - 19:1-4

**Joab was told, “Behold, the king is weeping and mourning for Absalom.”
The victory that day was turned into mourning for all the people
The people heard, “The king is grieved for his son.”
The people went by stealth as they came into the city that day
The people acted like people who are ashamed when they flee the battle
David cried with a loud voice, “...O Absalom, my son, my son!”**

b. Joab told David he was treating his people wrong - 19:5-7

**Joab came into the house of the king
Joab said that David disgraced all the servants who saved his life
Joab said they saved the lives of his children, his wives and concubines
Joab said David loved his enemies and hated his friends
Joab said that David had no respect for either princes or servants
Joab said David would have been happy if Absalom lived and they died
Joab told David to go out and speak comfort to his servants
Joab said if David did not go that no one would stay with him
Joab said it would be worse than all of the evil that happened to him**

2. David was brought back across the Jordan - 19:8-15

a. David sat at the gate and talked with the people - 19:8

**The king then arose and sat in the gate and the people all heard
The people then all came before the king for they had fled to their tents**

b. David had to live with uncertainty among the people - 19:9-10

**The people throughout all the tribes of Israel were having a dispute
The people said David saved them from all their enemies
The people said David had fled from the land because of Absalom
The people said that Absalom had now died in battle
The people said no one was talking about bringing back David**

c. David sent a message to the priests and people - 19:11-15

**David sent a message to Zadok and Abiathar the priests
David asked them to speak to the elders of Judah
David said to ask them, "Why are you the last to bring back the king?"
David said there were others in Israel who wanted him back as king
David told the elders of Judah that they were his bone and flesh
David asked, "Why then are you the last to bring back the king?"
David said that he wanted Amasa to become commander of the army
David said that Amasa would be the commander instead of Joab
David swayed the heart of all the men of Judah so they were unified
Judah sent this message to David, "Return, you and all your servants!"
David then returned and came to the Jordan
The tribe of Judah came to Gilgal to meet the king
The tribe of Judah escorted David across the Jordan**

3. David was asked for mercy by Shimei - 19:16-23

a. Shimei came down to meet David - 19:16

**Shimei was the Benjamite who was from Bahurim had cursed David
Shimei hurried to come with the men of Judah to meet David**

b. Shimei was part of a much larger group - 19:17

**Shimei brought a thousand men of Benjamin with him
Shimei also brought Ziba, the servant of Saul, and his sons and servants
These men of Benjamin all went over the Jordan before the king**

c. Shimei asked David to forgive what he had said - 19:18-20

**A ferryboat went across to carry over the king and his household
Shimei fell down before the king when he had crossed the Jordan
Shimei asked David not to impute sin to him
Shimei asked David not to remember what he had said
Shimei asked the king not to take it to heart
Shimei said that he knew that he had sinned
Shimei said that was why he was the first all the house of Joseph to come
Shimei said that was why he had come to meet his lord, the king**

d. Shimei heard the king say he would live that day - 19:21-23

**Abishai said that Shimei should be put to death for what he said
Abishai said he should be put to death for cursing the Lord's anointed
David said that the sons of Zeruah had become like adversaries
David said that no man of Israel would be put to death
David thought of the whole nation and wanted peace
David then told Shimei, "You shall not die," and swore to him**

4. David was met by Mephibosheth - 19:24-30

a. Mephibosheth showed that he had been in mourning - 19:24-27

**Mephibosheth the son of Saul came down to meet the king
Mephibosheth had not cared for his feet or trimmed his mustache
Mephibosheth had not washed his clothes during this time
Mephibosheth had not done these from the time that David departed
Mephibosheth was waiting for the day when the king returned in peace
David saw Mephibosheth come to him when he reached Jerusalem
David said to him, "Why did you not go with me, Mephibosheth?"
Mephibosheth answered, "My lord, O king, my servant deceived me."
Mephibosheth wanted to saddle a donkey so he could ride with the king
Mephibosheth needed the donkey because he was lame
Mephibosheth said Ziba had slandered him to the king
Mephibosheth said the king was like an angel of God
Mephibosheth told the king to do what was good in his eyes**

b. Mephibosheth recognized the kindness David showed him -19:28-30

**Mephibosheth said he knew David could have killed him
Mephibosheth said David chose to set him at his table instead
Mephibosheth said he had no right to cry anymore to the king
David told him not to speak anymore on his matters
David gave an immediate answer instead of taking time to check
David did not know that Ziba had lied for his own benefit - II Sam. 16:1-4
David then divided the land between Mephibosheth and Ziba
Mephibosheth said to let Ziba have everything
Mephibosheth said he was thankful the king could come back in peace
Mephibosheth was just thankful David showed him kindness - II Sam. 9:7**

5. David rewarded the kindness of Barzillai - 19:31-40

a. Barzillai came to meet David - 19:31-32

**Barzillai the Gileadite went across the Jordan with the king
Barzillai was able to escort the king to the Jordan River
Barzillai was a very aged man, eighty years old
Barzillai had provided supplies while David stayed at Mahanaim
This was when David fled from Absalom - II Sam. 17:27-29
Barzillai was a very rich man**

b. Barzillai was invited to come to Jerusalem - 19:33-36

**David invited Barzillai to come with him to Jerusalem
Barzillai had a real ministry to David when he fled - I Kings 2:7
David said he would provide for Barzillai while he was in Jerusalem
Barzillai said he was old and probably did not have long to live
Barzillai said he was already eighty years old
Barzillai said he could not discern between the good and bad
Barzillai said he could not taste what he ate or drank
Barzillai said he could no longer hear the voices of singing men or women
Barzillai asked why he should be an additional burden for the king
Barzillai said he would go a little way across the Jordan with the king
Barzillai said there was no need to repay him with such a reward**

c. Barzillai asked David to take Chimham instead - 19:37-40

**Barzillai said he wanted to return and die in his own city
Barzillai wanted to be buried near the grave of his father and mother
Barzillai said David could take Chimham instead - I Kings 2:7
Barzillai said David could do for him whatever seemed good
Barzillai said he would honor any further requests of David
David and all the people crossed over the Jordan
David kissed Barzillai and blessed him
Barzillai then returned to his own place
David went on to Gilgal and Chimham went on with him
All the people of Judah escorted the king across the river
Half of the people of Israel escorted the king
This event caused further conflict - II Sam. 20:1**

6. David saw division between Israel and Judah - 19:41-43

**The men of Israel came to David after they had crossed the Jordan
The men of Israel asked why the men of Judah had stolen him
The men said all of the men of Judah got to cross the Jordan with David
The men of Judah answered the men of Israel
The men of Judah said the king was a close relative of theirs
The men of Judah asked the men of Israel why they were angry over this
This was one of many events that led to later division - I Kings 12:18-19
The men of Judah said they had not eaten at the expense of the king
The men of Judah said the king had not given them a gift
The men of Israel answered the men of Judah
The men of Israel said they had ten tribes so they had more right to David
The men of Israel said they were the first to advise bringing back our king
The words of the men of Judah were fiercer than the words of Israel**

7. David experienced a rebellion led by Sheba - 20:1-2

**The happened to be a rebel among the men of Israel named Sheba
Sheba blew a trumpet and said, "We have no share in David."
Sheba said they had no inheritance in the son of Jesse
Sheba said, "Every man to his tents, O Israel."
The men of Israel deserted David
The men of Judah were loyal to David**

8. David no longer had relationships with his ten concubines - 20:3

**David came to his house where he had left ten concubines
David put his ten concubines in seclusion and supported them
They lived in widowhood until the day of their death**

9. David lost a good leader named Amasa - 20:4-13

a. Joab saw Amasa assigned to gather the troops - 20:4-5

**David told Amasa to gather the men of Judah within three days
David told Amasa to be present with them
Amasa went to assemble the men of Judah
Amasa took longer than the set three days**

b. Joab and Abishai led the troops after Sheba - 20:6-7

**David said to Abishai, "Sheba...will do us more harm than Absalom"
David told Abishai to pursue him or he was find fortified cities and escape
Abishai took Joab's men, with the Cherethites and the Pelethites
Abishai took all of the mighty men and went after Sheba**

c. Joab murdered Amasa - 20:8-10

**At the large stone at Gibeon, Amasa came to meet them
Joab was dressed in battle armor with a sword fastened at his hips
As Joab was going forward the sword fell out of the sheath
Joab said to Amasa, "Are you in health, my brother?"
Joab took Amasa by the beard with his right hand to kiss him
Amasa did not notice the sword that was in Joab's right hand
Joab then used his sword to strike Amasa in the stomach
Amasa has his inner organs pour out on the ground
Joab did not strike again but Amasa died
Joab and Abishai then pursued Sheba**

d. Joab pursued Sheba again after this murder - 20:11-13

**One of Joab's men stood near Amasa as he lay on the ground
The man said that those who favored Joab and David were to follow Joab
Amasa wallowed in his blood in the middle of the highway
The people began to stand still and look at him
The man then moved Amasa from the highway to the field
The man threw a garment over him because he saw the people stop
That ended when he was removed from the highway
Then all the people followed Joab to pursue Sheba**

10. David learned Sheba had been put to death - 20:14-26

a. Joab and his men followed Sheba to Abel (Beth Machah) - 20:14-15

**Joab traveled through the tribes until he came to Abel (Beth Maachah)
The troops that were gathered together also went after Sheba
Joab and all the people built a siege mound against the city
The people with Joab battered the wall to throw it down**

b. Joab has a wise woman from the city call to him - 20:16-19

A wise woman cried out to the men of Judah from the city
The wise woman said to tell Joab, "Come nearby, that I may speak to you."
Joab then went near the wall so he could hear the woman
The woman checked to make certain she was talking to Joab
The wise woman said to him, "Hear the words of your maidservant."
Joab answered that he was listening
The wise woman said that people used to talk in former times
They said, "They shall surely seek guidance in Abel"
Joab had begun to attack without talking - II Sam. 20:14-15
The law required an offer of peace - Deut. 20:10
The wise woman said that guidance at Abel would end disputes
The woman said she was among the peaceable and faithful in Israel
The woman said Joab was seeking to destroy a city in Israel
The woman asked why he would swallow up the inheritance of the Lord

c. Joab told the woman to deliver Sheba to him - 20:20-22

Joab said that he did not want to destroy a city in Israel
Joab said a man from Ephraim had raised his hand against the king
Joab said the name of that man was Sheba, the son of Bichri
Joab said he would depart from the city if they delivered Sheba to him
The people in the city did not even know why they were attacked
The woman said, "Watch his head will be thrown to you over the wall."
The woman in her wisdom then went to all of the people
The people of the city cut off the head of Sheba and threw it to Joab
Joab blew the trumpet and the men withdrew from the city
The men returned home and Joab returned to the king at Jerusalem

d. Joab remained the leader of the military - 20:23-26

Joab was over all of the army of Israel
Benaiah was over the Cherethites and the Pelethites
Adoram was in charge of the revenue
Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was recorder
Sheva was the scribe
Zadok and Abiathar were the priests
Ira the Jairite was a chief minister under David

V. David concluded his reign as king - 21:1-24:25

A. The Lord led David to make restitution to the Gibeonites - 21:1-14

1. The Gibeonites had seen part of their people killed by Saul - 21:1-2

**The land of Israel experienced a famine for three years
David inquired from the Lord about the reason for the famine
The Lord said it was due to Saul and his bloodthirsty house
The Lord said that Saul had killed part of the Gibeonites
David called some Gibeonites to him and spoke to them
The Gibeonites were not from Israel but were a remnant of the Amorites
The people of Israel had sworn protection to them
Saul had tried to kill them in his zeal for Israel and Judah**

2. The Gibeonites asked for the death of seven of the family of Saul - 21:3-9

a. David asked the Gibeonites what to do to make it right - 21:3-4

**David asked the Gibeonites what they wanted him to do
David asked with what he should make atonement to the Lord
David asked that they would bless the inheritance of the Lord
The Gibeonites said they did not want money from the house of Saul
The Gibeonites said they did not want any men of Israel killed
David said that he would do whatever the Gibeonites asked**

b. David heard their conflict was with Saul and his family - 21:5-6

**The Gibeonites said Saul consumed them and plotted against them
The Gibeonites said Saul wanted to completely destroy them
The Gibeonites said seven members of the family of Saul should be judged
The Gibeonites said they would hang them before the Lord in Gibeah**

c. David chose to spare Mephibosheth - 21:7-9

**David spared Mephibosheth the son of Jonathan because of their oath
David gave the two sons of Rizpah and the five sons of Michal to them
The Gibeonites hanged them on the hill before the Lord
The seven were put to death at the beginning of the barley harvest**

3. The Gibeonites saw sorrow come to Saul's family - 21:10-14

**Rizpah took sackcloth and spread it for herself on the rock
Rizpah was there from the beginning of harvest until the late rains poured
Rizpah did not let the birds or the animals rest on the sackcloth
David was told what Rizpah had done
David went to Jabesh Gilead and got the bones of Jonathan and Saul
(The men of Jabesh Gilead had stolen them from the Philistines)
David brought the bones back to the tomb of Kish, the father of Saul
David also gathered the bones of the seven who had been hung
David had men bury the bones of all nine men in the tomb of Kish
God then answered the prayer for the land**

B. The Lord gave some final victories over the Philistines - 21:15-22

1. David grew faint on the battlefield - 21:15-17

**The Philistines were at war again with Israel
David and his servants went with him to fight the Philistines
David grew faint while on the battlefield
Ishbi-Benob was one of the sons of the giant (Rephaim or Anakim)
He had a spear that weighted eight pounds and a new sword
Ishbi-Benob thought he could kill David because he was faint
Abishai came to the aid of David and killed the Philistine
The men of David said he would not to go to battle any longer**

2. David saw his servants kill three other giants - 21:18-22

**The second giant, Saph, was killed by Sibbechai, the Hushathite
The Philistines fought again with Israel at Gob
The third giant, Lahmi the brother of Goliath, was killed by Elhanan
Lahmi had a spear that weighted about seventeen pounds - I Chron. 20:5
The Philistines fought again against Israel at Gath
The Philistines had a very large giant at the war at Gath
This fourth giant had six fingers on each hand and six toes on each foot
This giant defied Israel and Jonathan, the nephew of David, killed him
These four giants were born to the giant in Gath
These giants all fell by the hand of David and his servants
These four giants were related to the Goliath David killed - I Sam. 17:49-51**

C. The Lord gave David a song of deliverance - 22:1-51

1. David spoke this song to the Lord - 22:1-3

**David spoke to the Lord all the words of this song
David spoke when the Lord delivered him from the hand of all his enemies
David spoke this song when the Lord delivered him from the hand of Saul
David recognized the Lord as his rock, his fortress and his deliverer
David knew that God was his strength and He could trust in Him
David knew that the Lord was the horn of his salvation
David knew that God was his stronghold and his refuge
David knew that the Lord was his Savior
David knew that the Lord would save him from violence**

2. David looked to the Lord for deliverance - 22:4-7

a. David looked to the Lord to save him from his enemies - 22:4

**David said that he would call upon the Lord
David said that the Lord is worthy to be praised
David knew that he would be saved from his enemies**

b. David told how men had caused him to fear - 22:5

**David said that waves of death surrounded him
David said the floods of ungodliness made him afraid**

c. David spoke of the sorrow that he experienced - 22:6

**David said the sorrows of Sheol surrounded him
David said the snares of death confronted him**

d. David knew that the Lord heard him when he cried - 22:7

**David said that in his distress he called to the Lord
David knew the Lord was his defense and refuge in his trouble - Ps. 59:16
David said that he cried out to my God
David said the Lord heard him from His temple
David said that his cry entered the ears of the Lord**

3. David spoke of how the Lord showed His power - 22:8-16

a. The Lord shook the earth - 22:8

**The Lord shook the earth and the earth trembled
The Lord caused the foundations of heaven to tremble
These were shaken because of the anger of the Lord**

b. The Lord caused the volcanoes - 22:9

**The Lord sent up smoke from His nostrils
The Lord sent devouring fire from His mouth
The Lord kindled coals by it**

c. The Lord is over the heavens and the earth - 22:10

**The Lord bowed the heavens also
The Lord came down with darkness under His feet**

d. The Lord sent the wind and the thick clouds - 22:11-13

**The Lord came in the form of an angel and flew
The Lord was seen upon the wings of the wind
The Lord made the darkness like a temporary shelter around Him
The Lord made dark waters and thick clouds of the skies
The Lord came with brightness in front of Him
The Lord caused coals of fire to be kindled**

e. The Lord sent the thunder and the lightning - 22:14-15

**The Lord thundered from heaven
The Most High spoke with His voice
The Lord sent arrows and scattered them
The Lord defeated them with His lightning**

f. the Lord showed His control over all the earth - 22:16

**The Lord revealed the channels of the sea
The Lord laid bare the foundations of the world
The Lord did all these things at his rebuke**

4. David spoke of the integrity of his character - 22:17-24

a. David knew that the Lord led him - 22:17

**The Lord sent from above and chose David
The Lord drew David out of many waters**

b. David knew the Lord delivered him from his enemies - 22:18

**The Lord delivered David from his strong enemy
The Lord delivered David from all who hated him
David realized that those who hated him were too strong for him**

c. David said the Lord was his stay in the day of calamity - 22:19-20

**David was confronted by his enemies in the day of his calamity
David knew that the Lord was his support in that day
The Lord brought David out into a broad place
The Lord delivered David because He delighted in him**

e. David said the Lord rewarded his righteousness - 22:21

**The Lord rewarded David according to his righteousness
The Lord rewarded David according to the cleanness of his hands
The Lord rewarded him because of his integrity**

f. David said he had kept the ways of the Lord - 22:22-24

**David had kept the ways of the Lord
David had kept the ways of the Lord - Ps. 18:21
David had not departed wickedly from the Lord
David had obeyed the judgments of the Lord
David had been taught these statutes by the Lord - Ps. 119:102
David had not departed from the statutes of the Lord
David did not forget the statutes of the Lord - Ps. 119:16
David was blameless before the Lord
David had depended on the strength of the Lord - Ps. 18:32
David had kept himself from his sin
David confessed his sin when he did wrong - Ps. 32:5**

5. David spoke of the way that the Lord rewards - 22:25-28

a. The Lord rewards the righteous - 22:25

**The Lord had rewarded David according to his righteousness
The Lord rewarded David because he did not look on sin**

b. The Lord shows mercy to the merciful - 22:26

**The Lord shows mercy to those who are merciful
The Lord is blameless to those who are blameless**

c. The Lord shows Himself pure to the pure - 22:27

**The Lord shows Himself pure to those who are pure
The Lord shows Himself shrewd to the perverted**

d. The Lord saves those who are afflicted - 22:28

**The Lord saves the people who are humble
The Lord brings down those who are proud**

6. David spoke of his relationship to the Lord 22:29-37

a. The Lord ministered to the needs of David - 22:29-30

**David recognized that the Lord was his lamp
The Lord gave him light when he experienced darkness
The Lord gave him strength against a large group
The Lord gave him strength to leap over a wall**

b. The Lord is a shield to those who trust in him - 22:31

**The way of the God is blameless
His way is perfect - Ps. 18:30
The Word of the Lord is proven
The Word of the Lord is very pure - Ps. 119:140
The Lord is a shield to all who trust in Him
The Lord is our shield through His salvation - Ps. 18:35**

c. The Lord was a rock and foundation for David - 22:32-35

David realized there is no God except the Lord
David realized there is no Rock except our God
David realized that God was his strength and his power
David asked the Lord to hold him so his feet would not slip - Ps. 17:5
David realized that God is the One who made his way perfect
David's desire was to walk with a perfect heart - Ps. 101:2
David wanted those who served him to have perfect hearts - Ps. 101:6
David realized the Lord made his feet like the feet of a deer
David realized the Lord is the One who set him on high places
David said the Lord did this even in his time of trouble - Ps. 27:5
David realized the Lord was the One who taught him how to make war
David said the Lord made it possible for him to bend a bow of bronze

d. The Lord had given David salvation - 22:36-37

David knew the Lord gave him the shield of His salvation
David knew it was the gentleness of the Lord that made him great
David knew that the Lord had enlarged the path that he walked
David had continually followed the Lord - Ps. 73:23
David saw that the Lord kept his feet from slipping
David said there were times when he almost slipped - Ps. 73:2
The Lord helped David understand the end for his enemies - Ps. 73:17

7. David spoke of how the Lord had guided him - 22:38-42

The Lord led him to pursue his enemies and destroy them
The Lord gave him the strength to fight until they were destroyed
David saw that he had destroyed and wounded them
David said that they could not rise because of death
David saw that they had fallen under his feet
The Lord armed David with strength for battle
The Lord had subdued those who rose against David
The Lord had also given him victory over the necks of his enemies
David had been given strength to destroy those who hated him
The enemies of David looked for someone to save them
The enemies of David even cried to the Lord
The enemies of David received no answer from the Lord

8. David spoke of how the Lord gave him victory - 22:43-46

a. David was able to make the enemies like the dust - 22:43

**David defeated the enemies so that they were like the dust of the earth
David was able to walk over them like dust on the streets
David was able to spread the enemies out**

b. David said the Lord kept him as head of the nation - 22:44

**The Lord also delivered David from the contentions of his people
The Lord kept David as the head of the nation of Israel
David said that even people he had not known would serve him**

c. David said that foreigners even hear and submit - 22:45-46

**David said that foreigners even chose to submit to him
David said as soon as they heard they chose to obey David
David said that the foreigners faded away (hidden)
David said that came trembling from the places where they hid**

9. David spoke of his praise to the Lord - 22:47-51

**David spoke of the fact that the Lord lives!
David said that his Rock was blessed!
David wanted God to be exalted!
David said He is the God of his salvation!
God avenged him of the people against him
God subdued the people under him
God delivered him from his enemies
God lifted David above those who rose against him
God delivered David from the violent man
David said he would give thanks to the Lord among the Gentiles
David said he would sing praises to the name of the Lord
David said the Lord is the tower of salvation to His king
David said the Lord had shown mercy to David
David said the Lord would show mercy to his descendants
David said this mercy would be shown forevermore
David said his Seed would rule forever - Ps. 89:29**

D. The Lord recorded the last public words of David - 23:1-7

1. David said the Lord raised him up - 23:1

**David gave his last spoken message to Israel
David, the son of Jesse, was raised up by the Lord
David became the anointed of the God of Jacob
David became the sweet psalmist of Israel**

2. David said that God gave him an everlasting covenant - 23:2-5

**David said the Spirit spoke by him
David said His word was on the tongue of David
David said that the God of Israel spoke to him
God is the Rock of Israel
God said the One who rules over men is righteous
God said He rules in the fear of God
God said He will be like light in the morning when the sun rises
God said He is like a morning without clouds
God said He is like tender grass springing out of the earth
God said He is like sunshine after the rain
This would be fulfilled by Christ from the house of David - Is. 9:6-7
David said that his house was not so with God
David said yet God chose to make an everlasting covenant with him
God ordered and secured this everlasting covenant
God gave this covenant (Davidic Covenant) to David - II Sam. 7:12-16
David recognized Christ was his salvation and righteousness
David spoke of this in the book of Psalms - Ps. 110
Christ used this Psalm to question the religious leaders - Luke 20:41-44
David realized that One would come from his descendants**

3. David said that the Lord judges worthless men - 23:6-7

**The worthless men will be as thorns to be thrown away
The worthless men cannot be held in a person's hands
The warning to the person who might try to hold him
Such a person must have armor of iron
Such a person must have a spear
The worthless men will experience eternal judgment**

E. The Lord gives a summary of David's mighty men - 23:8-39

1. Josheb-Basshebeth (Adino) slew 800 men at one time - 23:8

**Josheb-Basshebeth was chief among the captains
Josheb-Basshebeth was usually called Adino the Eznite
Josheb-Basshebeth killed eight hundred men at one time**

2. Eleazar, one of David's three mighty men, defied the Philistines - 23:9-10

**Eleazar the son of Dodo was an Ahohite
Eleazar was one of the three mighty men of David
The three were with David when they defied the Philistines
The Philistines were gathered there for battle
The men of Israel had retreated from the battle
Eleazar attacked the Philistines until his hand was weary
Eleazar saw his hand become stuck to the sword
The Lord brought about a great victory that day
The Lord is also our source of victory - I Cor. 15:57
The people returned after him only to plunder**

3. Shammah defended a plot of ground against the Philistines - 23:11-12

**Shammah the son of Agee was a Hararite
The Philistines gathered together into a troop
This happened on a piece of ground full of lentils
The people fled from the Philistines at this field
Shammah stationed himself in the middle of the field
Shammah defended the field and killed the Philistines
The Lord brought about a great victory that day
Gentiles can experience victory through Christ - Matt. 12:20-21**

4. David had three men come to him at the cave of Adullam - 23:13-14

**Three of the thirty chief went down to David at the harvest time
The three men came to David at the cave of Adullam
The troop of the Philistines encamped in the Valley of Rephaim
David was then in the stronghold
The garrison of the Philistines was then in Bethlehem**

5. David had spent time in the stronghold - 23:15-23

a. David longed for the water of Bethlehem - 23:15-17

**David had a longing at the time the Philistines were in Bethlehem
David longed for a drink of water from the well in Bethlehem
This was water from the well by the gate of Bethlehem
The three mighty men broke through the camp of the Philistines
The three men drew water from the well by the gate of Bethlehem
The three men took the water and brought it to David
David did not drink the water that the three had brought him
David poured out the water as an offering to the Lord
David said, "Far be it from me, O Lord, that I should do this!"
David said it represented the jeopardy of the men who risked their lives
David said that was the reason he did not drink the water
These things were done by the three mighty men**

d. Abishai slew three hundred men - 23:18-19

**Abishai, the brother of Joab, was chief of another three
Abishai lifted up his spear against three hundred men and killed them
Abishai won a name among these three and was most honored of the three
Abishai became their captain but did not attain to the first three**

e. Benaiah won several great battles - 23:20-23

**Benaiah was one who had done many deeds
Benaiah killed two lion-like heroes of Moab
Benaiah had gone down in a pit and killed a lion on a snowy day
Benaiah killed an Egyptian, a spectacular man who had a spear in his hand
Benaiah went to the Egyptian with only a staff in his hand
Benaiah took the spear away from the hand of the Egyptian
Benaiah killed the Egyptian with his own spear
Benaiah won a name among three mighty men
David placed Benaiah in charge of his personal bodyguards**

6. the list of the other mighty men - 23:24-39

David had a total of thirty-seven mighty men

F. The Lord showed His mercy to David - 24:1-25

1. David decided to count the people - 24:1-4

a. David was moved to count the people - 24:1-2

**The anger of the Lord was aroused against Israel
David was moved to “Go, number Israel and Judah.”
David spoke to Joab the commander of the army who was with him
David told Joab to go and count the people from Dan to Beersheba
David said that he wanted to know the number of the people**

b. David was asked by Joab why he wanted to count them - 24:3-4

**Joab said to let the Lord multiply the people a hundred times
Joab even said to let the king see this happen
Joab then asked, “But why does my lord the king desire to do this thing?”
David prevailed against Joab and against the captains of the army
Joab and the captain then went out from the king to count the people**

2. David told Joab to count the people - 24:5-9

a. Joab first counted on the east side of the Jordan - 24:5-6a

**The men crossed the Jordan and started counting at Aroer in the south
The men then moved north through the land of Gilead
The men moved to the north area on the east side of the Jordan**

b. Joab then counted from the north to the south west of the Jordan - 24:6b-8

**Dan and Sidon were on the very north edge of Israel
They counted the people as they traveled south through Israel
The counted the people as they traveled through Judah to Beersheba
Joab and the men returned to Jerusalem after nine months and twenty days**

e. Joab said there were 800,000 in Israel and 500,000 in Judah - 24:9

**Joab gave the total number of men who were able to draw the sword
There were 800,000 men in Israel and 500,000 men in Judah**

3. David felt guilty about counting the people - 24:10-14

a. David realized that he had sinned against the Lord - 24:10-11

**David had his heart condemn him after he numbered the people
David said to the Lord, "I have sinned greatly in what I have done."
David prayed and asked the Lord to take away his iniquity
David confessed that he had acted very foolishly
David experienced his guilt that night
The Lord sent Gad to David the next morning**

b. David was given the choice of three different consequences - 24:12-14

**The Lord told Gad what to say to David
The Lord offered David a choice of three consequences through Gad
The Lord said that David could choose one of the three
The Lord said that he would do the one that David chose
Gad came to David and told him what the Lord had said
The first choice was seven years of famine on the land
The second choice was to flee from his enemies for three months
The third choice would be three days' famine in the land
Gad told David to consider which set of consequences to choose
David told Gad that he was in great distress
David said he would rather fall into the hand of the Lord
David said the mercies of the Lord are great
David did not want to fall into the hand of man**

4. David asked the Lord to be his judge - 24:15-17

**The Lord sent a plague on Israel from morning till the appointed time
Seventy thousand people died between Dan and Beersheba
The angel stretched out his hand over Jerusalem to destroy it
The Lord relented from the destruction of the people
The Lord said it is enough and told the angel to restrain his hand
The angel of the Lord was by the threshing floor of Araunah
David spoke to the Lord while the angel was striking the people
David said that he was the one who had done wickedly
David said that the people were like sheep
David said to bring judgment against him and his father's house**

5. David saw the Lord show mercy - 24:18-25

a. David was told where to build an altar - 24:18

**Gad came to David the day he prayed to the Lord
Gad told David to build an altar on the threshing floor of Araunah**

b. David did what the Lord commanded - 24:19

David did as the Lord had commanded through Gad

c. David offered sacrifices on the threshing floor of Araunah - 24:20-23

**Araunah looked and saw the king and his servants come to him
Araunah went out and bowed to the king with his face to the ground
Araunah said, "Why has my lord the king come to his servant?"
David told Araunah that he wanted to buy the threshing floor from him
David said that he wanted to build an altar to the Lord there
David said this was so the Lord would withdraw the plague
Araunah told the king to take it and offer us whatever seemed good
Araunah told David that he could take his oxen for a sacrifice
Araunah said David could take the implements and yokes for wood
Araunah said that he now gave all these things to the king
Araunah said to the king, "May the Lord your God accept you."**

d. David said he could not sacrifice what cost him nothing - 24:24

**David said he would surely buy it from Araunah for a price
David said he would not offer to my God what cost me nothing
Here David shows His love and obedience to God - Mal. 1:5-14
David bought the threshing floor and oxen for 50 shekels of silver**

e. David offered burnt offerings and the Lord stopped the plague - 24:25

**David built there an altar to the Lord
David offered burnt offerings and peace offerings
The Lord heeded the prayers for the land
The Lord hears and answers when we pray from the heart - Ps. 119:10-11
The Lord withdrew the plague from Israel**