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II SAMUEL 5:1-10



LESSON: DAVID—KING OVER ALL ISRAEL—August 30, 2020

LESSON: I. THE TRIBES ASSEMBLE II SAMUEL 5:1-2

2nd Samuel **5:1** Then came all the tribes of Israel to David unto Hebron, and spake, saying, Behold, we are thy bone and thy flesh. Representatives of all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and gave unto him their pledge of loyalty. The nation was to be united under David. The proclaimed: "We are thy bone and thy flesh" meaning they would be blood brothers.

2nd Samuel **5:2** Also in time past, when Saul was king over us, thou wast he that leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and the LORD said to thee, Thou shalt feed my people Israel, and thou shalt be a captain over Israel. As they thought about the past when Saul was king, they knew that it was David who led them out and brought them in Israel. And it was the Lord that said to David at the time he was anointed by Samuel "Thou shalt feed my people Israel, and thou shalt be a captain over Israel" meaning David would be shepherd over the people Israel—feeding and tending the flock of sheep, and become the leader over Israel.

II. THE KING ANOINTED II SAMUEL 5:3-5

2nd Samuel **5:3** So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king David made a league with them in Hebron before the LORD: and they anointed David king over Israel. Now, all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and David made a contract; a covenant; an agreement before the Lord with the leaders of Israel. And they anointed him king of Israel. This is the third time David had been anointed. First by Samuel (1Sam.16:13), then by the people of Judah (2Sam.2:4), and now by the elders of the tribes (2Sam.5:3).

2nd Samuel **5:4** David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years.

 2^{nd} Samuel 5:5 In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years over all Israel and Judah.

By this time David had turned 30yrs old when he began his reign, and reigned for 40yrs. David had to wait patiently for the promise of God. ¹He had waited many years for this to happen. But David did not try to make it happen. He trusted God when the situation with Saul was very difficult. In the end, God worked everything out. He had to patiently wait for the fulfillment of God's promises. And in Hebron David reigned over Judah 7yrs and 6mos. And in Jerusalem, David reigned 33yrs over all Israel and Judah. Totaling 7.6+33= about 40.6yrs. David was a man after God's own heart!

III. JERUSALEM CLAIMED II SAMUEL 5:6-10

2nd Samuel **5:6** And the king and his men went to Jerusalem unto the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the land: which spake unto David, saying, Except thou take away the blind and the lame, thou shalt not come in hither: thinking, David cannot come in hither. The Jebusites were a Canaanite tribe who had never been expelled from the land. And they were still in possession of Jerusalem at the time of David's kingship. They refused to surrender because of their superior fortification. The fortress of Jerusalem was located upon a high ridge near the center of the united Israelite kingdom. The Jebusites had a clear military advantage and boasted of their security whehind the impregnable walls of Jerusalem. The blind and the lame are mentioned because the defense was

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considered so effective that the city could be defended by cripples without need for strong soldiers. A beffer translation: "You will not come in here, for the blind and the lame will ward you off." Because of its strange strategic advantages, David made Jerusalem his capital. He conquered Jerusalem by discovering and attacking their weakest point. Only in God are we truly safe and secure. Anything else is false security. They really thought that David (God's king) couldn't come in there

2nd Samuel **5:7** Nevertheless David took the strong hold of Zion: the same is the city of David. The Jebusites were no match for David. Yes, he and his troops took down the strong hold of Zion that the enemy thought was not penetrable, and what they thought they had a hold on. It changed from stronghold of Zion, to now called the city of David.

2nd Samuel **5:8** And David said on that day, Whosoever getteth up to the gutter, and smiteth the Jebusites, and the lame and the blind, that are hated of David's soul, he shall be chief and captain. Wherefore they said, The blind and the lame shall not come into the house. the gutter—a shaft 40ft deep connecting to a water tunnel that led outside the walls to a water supply. David tells his troops that whoever can get up to the gutter and kill the Jebusites, the lame, and the blind that are hated of David's soul, he is the one who shall be chief and captain. Well, this sounds like incentives for his men to step up into the ranks or this is just a plain bribe. They would have to go through the water tunnel (underground passage). They began to say: "The blind and the lame shall not come into the house; enter the palace."They were pumped up!

2nd Samuel **5:9** So David dwelt in the fort, and called it the city of David. And David built round about from Millo and Inward. David then dwelt in the stronghold (fort) calling it the city of David, his headquarters. Then beginning at the old Millo section of the city, he built northward toward the present city center which means he built the city around the stronghold. He started at the place where they had made the land level. Millo meant fill or filling.

2ND Samuel **5:10** And David went on, and grew great, and the LORD God of hosts was with him. So, David became greater and greater, for the Lord God of heaven was with him.

SUMMARY:

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Now, all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and David made a contract; a covenant; an agreement before the Lord with the elders of Israel. And they anointed him king of Israel. By this time David had turned 30yrs old when he began his reign, and reigned for 40yrs. In Hebron David reigned over Judah 7yrs and vernos. And in Jerusalem, David reigned 33yrs over all Israel and Judah (5:3-5).

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David now led his troops to Jerusalem to fight against the Jebusites, a Canaanite tribe who lived there. They told David that he will never come in there, even the blind and the lame could keep him out. They thought David couldn't get in. Nevertheless David took the strong hold of Zion: the same is the city of David. So, when the insulting message from the defenders of the city reached David, he told his troops to go up through the water tunnel into the city, and whoever can get up to the gutter and destroy the Jebusites, the lame, and the blind, that are hated of David's soul, he is the one who shall be chief and captain. They began to say: "The blind and the lame shall not come into the house; enter the palace." David then dwelt in the stronghold calling it the city of David, his headquarters, building around from Millo to inward (5:6-10).