

Life Lessons From 2 Samuel 21-24

Chapter 21

Overview

Dealings w/Gibeonites & Philistines

- * Famine; God says/Saul killed/Gibeonites; David/Ask/Accept/Atone?
- * Request 7 Saul's/Descendants; 2 Sons/5 G Sons; Rizpah/Birds; Bury
- * After that/God Heeds/Prayers/Land; Israel Defeats Philistines/Giants

Point #1

When God Seems Unjust (Uncover)

V8-9 – David delivers 7 Saul's relatives/hanged/Saul's killing???

V14 – And after that God heeded the prayer for the land? Not Right!!!

1st – Look at Who?

* Two/Son/Saul/Rizpah (**Concubine 2 Sam 3:7**) -

* Five/Sons/Michal/Daughter/Saul =

- Michal was Wife of David & Palti(el) (**1 Sam 25:44/2 Sam 3:14-15**)

- Michal had no children till the day of her death. (**2 Sam 6:23**)

- Merab or (Merab's Children) - 1st Daughter/Saul, as in,

1 Samuel 18:19¹⁹ But it happened at the time when Merab, Saul's daughter, should have been given to David, that she was given to

Adriel the Meholathite as a wife.

2nd – Look at Why???

- Saul's sons/grandsons most likely fought with Saul = Guilty

1 Samuel 31:2² Then the Philistines followed hard after Saul and his sons. And the Philistines killed Jonathan, Abinadab, and Malchishua, Saul's sons.

1 Chronicles 12:23²³ Now these were the numbers of the divisions that were equipped for war, and came to David at Hebron to turn over the kingdom of Saul to him, according to the word of the Lord:...

1 Chronicles 12:29²⁹ of the sons of Benjamin, relatives of Saul, three thousand (until then the greatest part of them had remained loyal to the house of Saul);

3rd – Look at God - Deuteronomy 32:4⁴ He is the Rock, His work is perfect; For all His ways are justice, A God of truth and without injustice; Righteous and upright is He.

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Psalm of Deliverance

- * David's Psalm of Deliverance when Lord delivered/Enemies/Saul
- * Same as Psalm 18 + "I will love you, O LORD, my strength..."

Point #2

How Well Do We Know God?

- * Rock, Fortress, Deliverer, Strength, Trust, Shield, Horn/Salvation
- * Stronghold, Refuge, Savior, Worthy/Praised...
- * When – Waves/Death Surround...
- * V50 – Therefore, I will give thanks to You... among/Gentiles!!!

Chapter 23

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Mighty Words & Mighty Men

Point #3

My Desire Is...

Mighty Words Spoken to David = V3-4; Through David = V5

Psalm 27:4⁴ One thing I have desired of the Lord, That will I seek:

That I may dwell in the house of the Lord All the days of my life, To behold the beauty of the Lord, And to inquire in His temple.

Chapter 24

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David's Senseless Census

- * Anger/Lord/David/Moved Him/Number/People; David Orders/Joab
- * David/Heart/Condemn/Sinned/Greatly; God/Gad/3 Choices (V13);
- * Choice/Mercy/God; Plague/70K die; David/Angel/Lord; Not Sheep
- * Gad/God Erect Altar; David made offering/Lord heeded
- Wait ...Lord Moved David/Sin/Punish... When God seems unjust???
- * Uncover! >>> **1 Chronicles 21:1**¹ Now Satan stood up against Israel, and moved David to number Israel.
- 1 John 1:5** ...that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.
- James 1:13**¹³ Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone.

Point #4

Oh, The Mercies of God

V14 – Always Choose!!! Psalm 130:7 O Israel, hope in the Lord; For with the Lord there is mercy, And with Him is abundant redemption.

Matthew 5:7⁷ Blessed are the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy.

Point #5

Goodness out of Badness

2 Chronicles 3:1¹ Now Solomon began to build the house of the Lord at Jerusalem on Mount Moriah, where the Lord had appeared to his father David, at the place that David had prepared on the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite.

Genesis 22:2²Then He said, “Take now your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.”

2 Samuel 24:24 ...nor will I offer burnt offerings to the Lord my God with that which costs me nothing.”

John 15:13¹³Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one’s life for his friends.

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