

Part 3: UNITED KINGDOM

Lesson 14: THE BOOK OF SECOND SAMUEL AND THE NEW TESTAMENT

1. What question does David ask the Amalekite who claims to have put King Saul to death? (2 Sam 1:14)

The Jews and Romans similarly put Jesus Christ to death. What does their murder of the Lord demonstrate about their understanding of God and his purpose? (1 Cor 2:8)

OPTIONAL: Contrast the Amalekite's disregard for King Saul with David's regard for him (2 Sam 1:17-27).

2. How does David, at his coronation in 2 Sam 5, preview Jesus?
3. What does David bring into Jerusalem in 2 Sam 6, and what does it symbolize in the Old and New Testaments respectively?

In what way(s) does the "tabernacle" and city of David foreshadow the hope of the New Testament? (Heb 9:8-10; 11:10; 13:14; Rev 21:1-4)

4. What does David want to build for the Lord, and why?
(2 Sam 7:1-2)

Why does God refuse the offer of David, and what is his counteroffer? (vv. 5-16; cf. 1 Kgs 5:3; 1 Chron 22:7-8; 28:2-3)

The divine promises of David find their initial fulfillment in which son of David?

In which son do the divine promises find their ultimate fulfillment? (Heb 1:5; cf. Ps 2:7; 2 Sam 7:19; Luke 1:31-32)

5. How does the interaction between David and Mephibosheth prefigure the character and work of Jesus?

How ought we apply the principle(s) to ourselves?

6. Why does the author of Second Samuel include the story of David and Bathsheba?

What does the failure of David teach us about ourselves and about Jesus?

OPTIONAL: How might the parable of Nathan, the forgiveness of David, the death of the child, and the birth of Solomon anticipate Jesus?

7. Though imperfect representations, how might the death of Absalom and the grief of David correlate to the death of Jesus and the grief of the Father? Provide New Testament passages with your answer.

8. The psalm of David (2 Sam 22:2-51; cf. Ps 18:1-50) is quoted in the New Testament. Read Rom 15:9 and Heb 2:13 (cf. Isa 8:17-18). How do Paul and the author of Hebrews apply the Davidic psalm?

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