

NIV MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 18:16

He reached down from on high and took hold of me; he drew me out of deep water.

UNITED KINGDOM 15-1**"MARCHING TO ZION"
READ 2 Samuel 3:1 - 5:25****DAY 1 - READ 2 Samuel 3:1 - 5:25**

1. What was meaningful to you in last week's lesson?

2. David, the anointed king, had yet to unite the kingdom. Today's reading is full of tumultuous relationships.
 - a. Ish-Bosheth resented Abner. Why?
 - b. Paltiel resented Ish-Bosheth. Why?
 - c. Joab resented David's treatment of Abner. Why?
 - d. David resented Joab. Why?
 - e. David resented Recab and Baanah. Why?
 - f. The Philistines resented David. Why?

3. "I take that personally." That's resentment. What dangers do you associate with that emotion?

DAY 2 - REVIEW 2 Samuel 3:1-21

4. What change is described in verse 1?

5.
 - a. Verses 2-5 mentions _____ sons and _____ wives.
 - b. What do you notice about Maacah?
 - c. What might have been David's motive in taking more wives?

6. In verses 6-11,
 - a. What opinion do you think Abner had of himself?
 - b. How did Abner intimidate Ish-Bosheth?
 - c. Do you think the concubine was the real issue of conflict between the two men? Why or why not?

DAY 2 – (Continued) REVIEW 2 Samuel 3:1-21

7. Considering the incident of David's request for the return of Michal . . .
 - a. Why do you think Ish-Bosheth complied?
 - b. What are your feelings for Paltiel?
 - c. Share a verse of Scripture that comforts in times of great distress.
8. Of what did Abner remind the elders in verses 17-18?
9. An agreement . . . a feast . . . and David sent Abner away in _____.

DAY 3 - REVIEW 2 Samuel 3:22-39

10. What were Joab's attitudes and/or actions regarding his . . .
 - a. . . . accusations against Abner?
 - b. . . . assassination of Abner?
11. What was David's curse on Joab's household?
12. a. How do you think Joab felt having to walk in front of Abner's bier?
 - b. Share your thoughts on trusting someone again once they have disappointed you. How must does past loyalty enter into the trusting process?
13. As you read of David's response to Abner's death,
 - a. Why were the people pleased?
 - b. Why was David very concerned?

DAY 4 - REVIEW 2 Samuel 4:1-12

14. Answer the following "true" or "false."
 - _____ Baanah and Recab were leaders of raiding bands.
 - _____ Jonathan's son, Mephibosheth, was lame from birth.
 - _____ Ish-Bosheth was murdered and decapitated.
 - _____ David received news of his enemy's death gladly.
 - _____ Baanah and Recab got the reward they anticipated.

DAY 4 – (Continued) REVIEW 2 Samuel 4:1-12

15. a. What effect do you think the public display of executed traitors would have on David's followers?
 - b. Briefly share if you think capital punishment is an effective deterrent to crime and give your reason.
16. How did David honor Ish-Bosheth?
17. David was depending upon God (vs.9) instead of men to deliver him from his troubles. Are you? Write Psalm 18:16.

DAY 5 - REVIEW 2 Samuel 5:1-25

18. At last Judah and Israel were united. David reigned _____ years. (_____ in Hebron and _____ in Jerusalem.)
19. By what method did David enter Jerusalem (Zion) to capture it according to vs. 8?
20. How did the king of Tyre react to David's new kingship?
21. How many more of David's children are named in verses 14-16?
22. a. In verses 17-25, David was victorious over the Philistines twice as he followed God's instruction. What was the plan for battle in verse 23?
 - b. What was the sign to attack?
 - c. How are you learning to wait for God's help, direction and intervention?

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS: