

**NIV MEMORY VERSE: 2 Samuel 10:12****UNITED KINGDOM 17-1**

Be strong and let us fight bravely for our people and the cities of God. The Lord will do what is good in his sight.

**“STRONG IN BATTLE . . . SENSITIVE IN COMPASSION”****READ 2 Samuel 8:1 - 10:19, 12:26-31, 21:15-22****DAY 1 - READ 2 Samuel 8:1 - 10:19, 12:26-31, 21:15-22**

1. Share what impressed you in last week’s lesson/lecture?
  
2. Today’s reading tells of David’s conquest, compassion and courage.
  - a. Notice 2 Samuel 8:6, 11, 14. What do these verses reveal about David’s perspective on power and success as he conquered?
  
  - b. How was David’s kindness to Mephibosheth an illustration of God’s compassion?
  
  - c. In 2 Samuel 21:15-22, the Philistines had giants (like Goliath had been) to champion their cause. Identify the man who displayed courage to kill these four.

___ Ishbi-Benob	1) Jonathan
___ Saph	2) Elhanan
___ Goliath the Gittite	3) Sibbecai
___ Giant with six fingers/toes	4) Abishai

**DAY 2 - REVIEW 2 Samuel 8:1-18 (NOTE 1 Chronicles 18:1-17)**

3. Directed by God, David began to conquer the enemies of Israel.
  - a. What did David do to the Moabites?
  
  - b. . . . to Hadadezer’s horses?
  
4. What did David do with the plunder and tribute he gained?
  
5. What else did David gain in verse 13?
  
6. a. What was Joab’s position of responsibility?
  - b. David had been angry with Joab over Abner’s death. What does this say to you about forgiveness?
  
  - c. What steps are you taking or can you take to learn to trust and forgive those whose actions have disappointed you?

**DAY 3 - REVIEW 2 Samuel 9:1-13**

7. What was the covenant between David and Saul's household?  
(see 1 Samuel 20:14-17)
8. a. What do you think Mephibosheth felt as he was called to meet David?  
b. How did Mephibosheth describe himself?
9. What favors did David bestow on Mephibosheth regarding . . .
  - a. . . . personal property?
  - b. . . . personal acceptance?
  - c. . . . personal servants?
10. In practical terms, discuss how we can show compassion to those who are handicapped physically, emotionally, mentally, or spiritually.
11. Believers have Christ as their King. What does it mean to you to "eat at the King's table?"

**DAY 4 - REVIEW 2 Samuel 10:1-19 (NOTE 1 Chronicles 19:1-19)**

12. a. How was David's act of kindness toward Hanun received according to verse 4?  
b. How did David show concern for his servants' humiliation?
13. In the war described in verses 6-19:
  - a. How did the Ammonites fortify their army?
  - b. How did Joab and Abishai depend on God in verse 12?
  - c. The enemy regrouped, but ultimately what happened in verse 19?
14. a. What does this war teach you about taking action in the face of an enemy?  
Apply your answer to an "enemy" in your life.  
b. Today you may have won the battle, but the enemy will regroup to attack again in stronger force. Write Psalm 44:5.

**DAY 5 - REVIEW 2 Samuel 12:26-31, 21:15-22 (NOTE 1 Chronicles 20:1-8)**

Today's Scripture deals with the culmination of the battles in chapter 10, the final foreign battles of David's reign.

15. a. In 2 Samuel 12:26-31, Joab captured what vital supply in the battle of Rabbah?
  - b. What was the fate of the captured people?
  
16. In 2 Samuel 21:15-22, the Philistine giants were still a problem and David went to fight them.
  - a. What happened to David?
  
  - b. What was the decision of David's men in verse 17?
  
17. How does having an "army" of other Christians behind you help you subdue the giants in your life?

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**LECTURE NOTES:**

**PRAYER REQUESTS:**