# Be Kind

## 2 Samuel

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### Kindness is needed.



### Kindness



### How does God model kindness to us so we can be kind to others?



### Background









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### Samuel





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Saul



David

## How will David respond?

### How does God model kindness to us so we can be kind to others?



### L God's kindness gives us leaders (2 Sam 1–10).



God led Israel by establishing David as king over a renewed, perpetual kingdom (2 Sam 1–10).





Saul died with his sons Jonathan, Abinadab, and Malkishua (1 Sam. 31:2)



Saul killed himself (1 Sam. 31:4) but an **Amalekite lied** by saying he did it instead (2 Sam. 1:10)



David lamented over the deaths of Saul and Jonathan (2 Samuel 1:17)



## David laments the death of Saul and his sons (2 Sam. 1:17-27)

**"O mountains of** Gilboa, let there be no dew or rain upon you, nor fruitful fields producing offerings of grain. For there the shield of the mighty heroes was defiled; the shield of Saul will no longer be anointed with oil" (2 Sam. 1:21 NLT).

#### Mount Gilboa today

#### **David defeats Abner**

#### Field of Swords 2 Samuel 2:15-17



#### David sent Abner away in peace (2 Sam. 3:21)

#### Abner sent away (3:21)

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"Reehab and Baanah Bring the Head of Ish-Bosheth" By James Tissot (1836-1902) David killed Ish-Bosheth's murderers to punish seizing his kingdom for him by force (2 Sam 4).

#### **Chapters 5–10 shows David over** all Israel at Jerusalem with new...

5 Capital 6

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- **Dynasty**
- **Boundary**
- Son
- 10 Vassals

(Jerusalem) Worship center (Ark moved) (Davidic Covenant) (Kingdom Expansion) (Mephibosheth) (Ammon and Syria)



### Central Location

Jerusalem was in Benjamin next to Judah but close to the northern tribes

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#### Jerusalem was a Border City

The OT border between Benjamin and Judah ran just south of the city





### King David brought the Ark to Jerusalem (2 Samuel 6:5-15)



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#### David and the ark (2 Samuel 6)

**KEY WORD** 

### KEY WORD: COVENANT

#### New Dynasty (2 Sam 7)

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### **KEY VERSE** 2 Samuel 7:12-16

#### New Dynasty (2 Sam 7)

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# But who would build the Temple ?



God's House: "I want to build a house for you..."

### KEY VERSE: 2 Samuel 7:12-13

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## 22 **Promises of the Davidic Covenant** What did God promise David in 2 Samuel 7:12-16? **New Dynasty** (2 Sam 7)

#### Davidic Covenant 2 Samuel 7:12-16

"And when your days are fulfilled and you sleep with your fathers, I will set up after you YOUR OFFSPRING who shall be born to you, and I will establish HIS KINGDOM.

He shall build a house for My Name [and My Presence], and I will establish the THRONE of HIS KINGDOM FOREVER. I will be his Father, and he shall be My son. When he commits iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men and with the stripes of the sons of men.

But My mercy and loving-kindness SHALL NOT DEPART from him, as I took [them] from Saul, whom I took away from before you.

And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before you; YOUR THRONE shall be ESTABLISHED FOREVER."

### How does the Davidic Covenant relate to Jesus?

### Jesus is the Promised Son Of David

Nine times Jesus is called "son of David" in Matthew (compared to twice in Mark and Luke and none in John). David is referred to 59 times in the New Testament (NIV).

 Jesus' birthplace, Bethlehem, is recalled as 'the city of David" (Matt. 2:1; 1 Sam. 20:6)

#### **Promises of the Davidic Covenant** What did God promise David in 2 Samuel 7:12-16? Sons: "house" never wiped out Kingdom: political dynasty (each Jerusalem king will be one of his direct descendants) **Throne: As an eternal covenant (v. 16), the right** to rule will remain with his family forever **Temple: Solomon will build it Discipline:** God will punish disobedient kings but still unconditionally keep these promises **New Dynasty** (2 Sam 7)

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### **Messiah from Judah**

Since **Jacob's** blessing in Genesis 49:9-10, the lion has depicted a

"Judah, my son, is a young lion that has finished eating its prey. Like a lion he crouches and lies down; like a lioness—who dares to rouse him? <sup>10</sup>The scepter will not depart from Judah, nor the ruler's staff from his descendants, until the coming of the one to whom it belongs, the one whom all nations will honor" (NLT).

# What would be the Messiah's lineage?



### Matthew says Jesus is King!

### 2 Samuel 8

### David's Victories 2 Samuel 8

Egypt





"Vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and vessels of brass: which also king David did dedicate unto the Lord."-2 Sam. viii. 10, 11

**"King David dedicated** all these gifts to the LORD, along with the silver and gold he had set apart from the other nations he had subdued" (2 Samuel 8:11)

> New Boundary (2 Sam 8)

### 2 Samuel 9



### 2 Samuel 10





## God is kind to give us Jesus as King.





### We prefer democracy but God mandates kingship



#### **Rule from Rome?**





#### Jerusalem

### **1000 Years!**



### How does God model kindness to us so we can be kind to others?



### L God's kindness gives us leaders (2 Sam 1–10).

# II. God's kindness gives us discipline (2 Sam 11–24).



### 2 Samuel 11

When life is "too good" then watch out...

### Chapter 11 = Bankruptcy



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### An idle mind... ...leads to... an idol mind...

"In the spring when kings go out to war..." (11:1)

### **Bath for Bathsheba**



### The inevitable conclusion


Uriah the Hittite and his wicked king, David

### Uriah was killed along with several other Israelite soldiers (2 Sam. 11:17)



### The Heartache David Caused

#### **Bathsheba Mourns Her Husband**



#### "You are the man!"

Nathan rebukes David for his sins (12:1-12)

# Bathsheba's baby dies





## Their baby dies

#### God judges David's family (12:1-12)



### **FAMILY TROUBLES** SON of ADULTERY dies... (12:15-23)

STILL, GRACE of GOD... David's second son from Bathsheba is named SOLOMON alias Jedidiah– "beloved of the LORD"—because the LORD loved him (12:24-25)

#### **Amnon & Tamar**

David was judged through the rape of his daughter via his son

#### But Amnon's half-brother Absalom was full brother to Tamar



#### Absalom killed Amnon two years later



#### David mourns death of Amnon (2 Samuel 13:37)

#### The Wise Woman of Tekoa (2 Samuel 14)



### POLITICAL TROUBLES (2 Samuel 15–20)

#### ABSALOM

#### SHEBA

### ADONIJAH, later in Solomon's era





What kind of king will David become when he later has the same power as Saul? How will he respond to the third king, Absalom?

"David and Zadok were alone once more. 'And now, what will you do, David? In your youth, you spoke no word against an unworthy king. What will you do now with an equally unworthy youth?' 'As I said,' replied David, 'These are the times I hate the most, Zadok. Nonetheless, against all reason, I judge my own heart first and rule against its interests. I will do what I did under Saul. I will leave the destiny of the kingdom in God's hands alone. Perhaps he is finished with me. Perhaps I have sinned too greatly and am no longer worthy to lead. Only God knows if that is true, and it seems he will not tell."

—Gene Edwards, A Tale of Three Kings, 93







**David had to** flee to the wilderness to avoid war between him and Absalom. He wept in the **Kidron Valley.** 



Shimei opposed David by throwing stones at him. However, David refused to punish Shimei (2 Samuel 16:5-14).



Ahithophel gives Absalom good advice to pursue David at once (2 Sam 17:1-4)

Hushai gives Absalom bad advice to pursue David later (2 Sam 17:5-14)



#### A bad hair day for Absalom (18:9)



"Enough of this nonsense,' Joab said. Then he took three daggers and plunged them into **Absalom's heart** as he dangled from the oak still alive."

2 Samuel 18:14

### 2 Sam. 18:33

"The king was overcome with emotion. He went up to his room over the gateway and burst into tears. And as he went, he cried, 'O my son Absalom! My son, my son Absalom! If only I could have died instead of you! O Absalom, my son, my son."

### Divided Kingdom 2 Samuel 19

David returned to a restored kingdom in Jerusalem but the north-south division persisted.

Egypt





#### Misplaced Grief

#### Joab rebukes David for his poor leadership (19:5-7)
### **DAVID'S FINAL YEARS**

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An appendix in chapters 21–24 of David's final years provides additional accounts of his failures and successes as indication of God's continued blessing upon his line while still punishing sin.

## 2 Samuel 21

#### **Appendix Chart**



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## 2 Samuel 22



David kept the humility of his youth.

The result was that many risked their lives for him.

## 2 Samuel 23



### "David's Mighty Men" By James Tissot (1836-1902)

### 2 Samuel 23:8-11

### **David's Mighty Men**



"David remarked longingly to his men, 'Oh, how I would love some of that good water from the well by the gate in Bethlehem.' <sup>16</sup> So the Three broke through the Philistine lines, drew some water from the well by the gate in Bethlehem, and brought it back to David. But he refused to drink it. Instead, he poured it out as an offering to the LORD" (2 Samuel 23:15-16 NLT)

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## 2 Samuel 24



### Araunah's Threshing Floor (2 Sam 24:18-19)



## God also shows his kindness to us in his discipline.



### III. David pictures Jesus.

Both came from the line of Judah (Gen 49:10). Both were born in Bethlehem (1 Sam 15; Matt 2:1). Both came from humble roots—a shepherd and carpenter. Both protect from evil with courage but also with the heart of a shepherd. **Both were appointed to rule Israel without** seeking it. Both were exalted to rule the whole world. Both not only start in Bethlehem but also end in Jerusalem.

### **David to Jesus**

#### Micah 4:6-7 NLT



"In that coming day," says the LORD, "I will gather together those who are lame, those who have been exiles, and those whom I have filled with grief. <sup>7</sup>Those who are weak will survive as a remnant; those who were exiles will become a strong nation. Then I, the LORD, will rule from Jerusalem [Hebrew Mount Zion] as their king forever."

"As for you, Jerusalem, the citadel of God's people, your royal might and power will come back to you again. The kingship will be restored to my precious Jerusalem."



### How does God model kindness to us so we can be kind to others?



### God will rule the world through David's Descendent, Jesus.

## Main Idea

### L God's kindness gives us leaders (2 Sam 1–10).

# II. God's kindness gives us discipline (2 Sam 11–24).



### III. David pictures Jesus.

## How do you respond to God's kindness in Jesus?

**Trust Jesus as your Savior and coming King**  Show God's kindness to others



### Kindness



There is no exercise better for the heart than reaching down and lifting people up. —John Holmes

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