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2 SAMUEL 8

Some time afterward, David **struck** the Philistines and subdued them; David took Metheg-ammah out of the hand of the Philistines. **He also struck** the Moabites and, making them lie down on the ground, measured them off with a cord; he measured two lengths of cord for those who were to be put to death, and one length for those who were to be spared. And the Moabites became **servants** to David and brought tribute. David also **struck down King** Hadadezer son of Rehob of Zobah, as he went to restore his monument at the river Euphrates. David took from him one thousand seven hundred horsemen, and twenty thousand foot soldiers. David hamstrung all the **chariot** horses, but left enough for a hundred **chariots**. When the **Arameans*** of Damascus came to help **King** Hadadezer of Zobah, David **struck** twenty-two thousand men of the **Arameans**. Then David put garrisons among the **Arameans** of Damascus; and the **Arameans** became **servants** to David and brought tribute. YHWH gave all to David wherever he went. David took the gold shields that were carried by the **servants** of Hadadezer, and brought them to Jerusalem. From Bethah and from Berothai, towns of Hadadezer, **King** David took a great amount of bronze. When **King** Toi of Hamath heard that David **had struck** the whole army of Hadadezer, Toi **sent** his son Joram to **King** David, ask his peace and to bless him because he had fought against Hadadezer and **struck** him. Now Hadadezer had often been at war with Toi. Joram brought with him articles of silver, gold, and bronze; these also **King** David dedicated to YHWH, together with the silver and gold that he dedicated from all the nations he subjected, from Edom, Moab, the **Ammonites,*** the Philistines, Amalek, and from the spoil of **King** Hadadezer son of Rehob of Zobah. David made a name. When he returned, **he struck** eighteen thousand Edomites in the Valley of Salt. He put garrisons in Edom; throughout all Edom he put garrisons, and all the Edomites became David's **servants**. And YHWH gave all to David wherever he went. So David reigned over all Israel; and David administered justice and equity to all his people. Joab son of Zeruiah was over the army; Jehoshaphat son of Ahilud was recorder; Zadok son of Ahitub and Ahimelech son of Abiathar were priests; Seraiah was secretary; Benaiah son of Jehoiada was over the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and David's sons were priests.

*only 15.8 elsewhere in 2 Sam

2 SAMUEL 9

David asked, "Is there still anyone left of the **house** of **Saul** to whom I may show kindness for Jonathan's sake?" Now there was a **servant** of the **house** of **Saul** whose name was Ziba, and he was summoned to David. The **king** said to him, "Are you Ziba?" And he said, "I am your **servant!**" The **king** said, "Is there anyone remaining of the **house** of **Saul** to whom I may show the kindness of God?" Ziba said to the **king**, "There remains a son of Jonathan; he is crippled in his feet." The **king** said to him, "Where is he?" Ziba said to the **king**, "He is in the **house** of Machir son of Ammiel, at Lo-debar." Then **King** David **sent** and brought him from the **house** of Machir son of Ammiel, at Lo-debar. Mephibosheth son of Jonathan son of **Saul** came to David, and fell on his face and did obeisance. David said, "Mephibosheth!" He answered, "I am your **servant.**" David said to him, "Do not be afraid, for I will show you kindness for the sake of your father Jonathan; I will restore to you all the land of your grandfather **Saul**, and you yourself shall eat at my table always." He did obeisance and said, "What is your **servant**, that you should look upon a dead dog such as I?" Then the **king** summoned **Saul's servant** Ziba, and said to him, "All that belonged to **Saul** and to all his **house** I have given to your master's grandson. You and your sons and your **servants** shall till the land for him, and shall bring in the produce, so that your master's grandson may have food to eat; but your master's grandson Mephibosheth shall always eat at my table." Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty **servants**. Then Ziba said to the **king**, "According to all that my lord the **king** commands his **servant**, so your **servant** will do." Mephibosheth ate at David's table, like one of the **king's** sons. Mephibosheth had a young son whose name was Mica. And all who lived in Ziba's **house** became Mephibosheth's **servants**. Mephibosheth lived in Jerusalem, for he always ate at the king's table. Now he was lame in both his feet.

#only 11.1; 12.9, 26, 31; 17.27 elsewhere in 2 Sam

2 SAMUEL 10

Some time afterward, the **king** of the **Ammonites** died, and his son Hanun succeeded him. David said, "I will deal loyally with Hanun son of Nahash, just as his father dealt loyally with me." So David **sent envoys** to console him concerning his father. When David's envoys came into the land of the **Ammonites**, the princes of the **Ammonites** said to their lord Hanun, "Do you really think that David is honoring your father just because he has **sent messengers** with condolences to you? Has not David **sent** his **envoys** to you to search the city, to spy it out, and to overthrow it?" So Hanun seized David's envoys, shaved off half the beard of each, cut off their garments in the middle at their hips, and **sent** them away. When David was told, he **sent** to meet them, for the men were greatly ashamed. The **king** said, "Remain at Jericho until your beards have grown, and then return." When the Ammonites saw that they had become odious to David, the **Ammonites sent** and hired the **Arameans** of Beth-rehob and the **Arameans** of Zobah, twenty thousand foot soldiers, as well as the **king** of Maacah, one thousand men, and the men of Tob, twelve thousand men. When David heard of it, he **sent** Joab and all the army with the warriors. The **Ammonites** came out and **arrayed** in battle at the entrance of the gate; but the **Arameans** of Zobah and of Rehob, and the men of Tob and Maacah, were by themselves in the open country. When Joab saw that the battle was set against him both in front and in the rear, he chose some of the chosen men of Israel, and **arrayed them** against the **Arameans**; the rest of his men he put in the charge of his brother Abishai, and **he arrayed them** against the **Ammonites**. He said, "If the **Arameans are too strong** for me, then you shall save me; but if the **Ammonites are too strong** for you, then I will come and save you. **Be strong, yes strong**, and let us be courageous for the sake of our people, and for the cities of our God; and may YHWH do what seems good in his eyes." So Joab and the people who were with him moved forward into battle against the **Arameans**; and **they fled** before him. When the Ammonites saw that the **Arameans fled**, **they likewise fled** before Abishai, and entered the city. Then Joab returned from fighting against the **Ammonites**, and came to Jerusalem. But when the Arameans saw that they had been smitten by Israel, they gathered themselves together. Hadadezer **sent** and brought out the **Arameans** who were beyond the Euphrates; and they came to Helam, with Shobach the commander of the army of Hadadezer at their head. When it was told David, he gathered all Israel together, and crossed the Jordan, and came to Helam. The **Arameans arrayed** themselves against David and fought with him. The **Arameans fled** before Israel; and David **struck** of the **Arameans** seven hundred **chariot** teams, and forty thousand horsemen, and wounded Shobach the commander of their army, so that he died there. When all the kings who were servants of Hadadezer saw that they had been smitten by Israel, they made peace with Israel, and became subject to them. So the **Arameans** were afraid to help the **Ammonites** any more.