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Second Samuel Outline

Introduction: Second Samuel continues where First Samuel leaves off, telling the story of David's rise to power and the tragic story of David's reign. Here we see David at his best and worst. We see him rally the tribes to him and establish the Holy city of Jerusalem. And we also see David's terrible weakness as he falls for Bathsheba and tries to cover up the problem.

Section One: King David

Chapter 1: Death of Saul and Jonathan reported, David's lament (How the mighty...fallen)

Chapter 2: Division: David and Joab against Ishbaal and Abner; battle at Gibeah

Chapter 3: Abner turns from Ishbaal; Joab murders him; David mourns

Chapter 4: Ishbaal assassinated; David has murderers killed

Chapter 5: Hebron meeting; David made king; Jerusalem new capital

Chapter 6: Ark brought to Jerusalem; Uzzah's death; David and Michal

Chapter 7: David and Nathan- no temple; Davidic covenant

Chapter 8: David's wars;

Chapter 9: David and Mephibosheth

Chapter 10: War against Ammonites

Chapter 11: David and Bathsheba/Uriah

Chapter 12: Nathan's parable; birth of Solomon

Section Two: David and His Family

Chapter 13: Rape of Tamar by Amnon; Absalom's revenge

Chapter 14: Joab brings Absalom back; David forgives Absalom

Chapter 15: Absalom usurps throne; David flees

Chapter 16: Mephibosheth's servant; Shimei's curse

Chapter 17: Ahithophel's plan; Hushai's plan; Hushai warns David

Chapter 18: David's men defeat Absalom's army; Absalom hung in tree

Chapter 19: David returns to Jerusalem; pardons Shimei and Mephibosheth

Chapter 20: Sheba rebels "To your tents!"

Chapter 21: Famine because of Saul and the Gibeonites; David's restoration

Chapter 22: David's song

Chapter 23: David's last words

Chapter 24: The census; Gad's words to David and his last sacrifice

Stories to know: The death of Saul and Jonathan (Chapter 1:17-27); David and Bathsheba (Chapter 11:1-27); Absalom's death and David's lament (Chapter 18:5-9; 15; 33)