

David's Kingdom Established

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2 Samuel 8:1-18

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God Establishes David's Kingdom

- God is fulfilling and expanding His covenant promises
- David's physical life foreshadows the spiritual victory of King Jesus
- Jesus, better than David established His kingdom^{Jn12:31-32}
- David has been established in Jerusalem, covenant promises are being fulfilled^{2Sam7:16;Gen15:18}

David's Victories in Battle

- Word repetition cues us *nakah* - 'defeated'^{1,2,3} and 'struck down'⁵
- David describes this in Psalm 68:1-3
- God is establishing the kingdom for His prince - David

Victories in Four Directions - Conquest of the Kingdom

- **West** - Philistines. Had been a thorn, killed Israel's 1st king Saul^{15:31-2} David killed Goliath^{Philistine}, now takes Gath^{1Chr18:1}
- **East** - Moabites defeated. Descendants of Lot^{Gen19:37}, Abraham's nephew. Strained relations Jdg11:17, led Israel into idolatry^{Num25}. But grace to unlikely people: Ruth^{Ruth1:16} was David's great-grandmother!
- **North** - Hadadezer (Syria towards Iraq) to Euphrates^{8:3}
- **South** - Edomites to the south in today's Jordan & Saudi Arabia.
- Narrator wants us to understand that David's victories was a defeat of surrounding enemies so kingdom had peace^{2Sam7:11}

Wealth & Homage of the Kingdom

- Toi & others bring gifts – David doesn't keep for self
- David dedicates it all to the Lord¹¹
- Apply: what are you doing with your gifts and talents?

God's Ideal Order for a Peaceful Kingdom

- David established honorable rule in all territories¹³
- God's kingdom is beneficial to all those around^{Mt5:16;1Pet2:12}
- David's kingdom shows what just and good government looks like
- But only Jesus can govern us in perfect justice and righteousness under His gracious and merciful hand.
- David's good kingdom used flawed leaders - Joab
- Hope for us: God uses imperfect people to accomplish His work!

How David's Kingdom Foreshadows Christ's Royal Conquests

- David's life foreshadows Christ's kingdom work^{Jn18:36}
- 1. **Subdued our Enemies** - Jesus Christ was victorious over the law's condemnation against our sins^{Rm3:23;Col2:13-15}
 - Luther - felt condemnation for sin: Christ set free^{Rom8:1-4}
 - we can live w/o fear because of King Jesus^{1Cor15:55-57}!
- 2. **Jesus Established Saving Rule**. David extended his peaceful kingdom over neighboring lands. Christ's rule brings peace.
- 3. **Jesus Secured for Believers Blessings**. Believers get kingdom blessings of righteousness, peace and joy^{Rom14:17}.
- 4. **Jesus receives all Glory and Honor for Himself**. Eph 1:15-23. Christ conquered all enemies and ascended to heaven, He now pours out His grace on His people - the Church^{Col1:16-18}.
- We are invited to the King's Table^{Rev19:6-9}