Lesson 15

David Reigns Over Israel (2 Samuel 5:1 – 6:23; 1 Chronicles 11:1-9; 12:23 – 16:43)

Questions

1. What happened when all the tribes of Israel came to David in Hebron (5:1-5; 1 Chron. 11:1-3)?
2. What did David and his men do with the Jebusites and Jerusalem (5:6-10; 1 Chron. 11:4-8)?
3. What are some of the descriptions given for David's supporters in 1 Chronicles 12:23 37? What, in particular, is said about the children of Issachar?
4. How are David's supporters described in 1 Chronicles 12:38-40?
5. What did Hiram king of Tyre do for David (5:11-12; 1 Chron. 14:1-2)?
6. How many children were born to David in Jerusalem (5:17-21; 1 Chron. 14:3-7)?
7. What did David and his men do to the Philistines at this time (5:17-25; 1 Chron. 14:8-17)?
8. What did David do with the ark of God after consulting with others (6:1-5; 1 Chronicles 13:1-8)?
9. What happened to Uzzah and how did David respond (6:6-11: 1 Chron. 13:9-14)?

10. How did David eventually bring the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to Jerusalem and who helped the Levites to do this (6:12-15; 1 Chron. 15:1-28)?
11. What did David do when the ark of God finally arrived in Jerusalem (6:16-19; 1 Chron. 15:29 – 16:3)?
12. What did the men do who were left to serve before the ark of God (1 Chron. 16:4-6, 37-43)?
13. What were some things that David thanked God for in his psalm of thanksgiving and what were some things that he told the Israelites to do (16:7-36)?
14. How did Michal respond to David's actions and how did David reply to Michal's criticism of his actions (6:16, 20-23; 1 Chron. 15:29)?
Digging Deeper
1. Locate the following on a map: Hebron (5:1), Jerusalem (5:6), the valley of Rephaim (5:18, 22), Baal-perazim (5:20), Geba and Gezer (5:25), and Baal-judah (6:2).
2. When, prior to this occasion, did the Lord say that David would be the shepherd and prince over Israel (2 Sam. 5:2; 1 Chron. 11:2)?
3. Who were the Jebusites (5:6)?
4. Summarize what David wrote in Psalm 30 concerning the dedication of his house (5:11-12)?

- 5. What is the "stronghold" (5:17)?
- 6. Where before in 1 Samuel had the ark of God been transported on a "new cart" (6:3)?
- 7. Why did the Lord strike Uzzah dead? What error did he commit (6:7)?
- 8. Where in the OT are the Lord's rules found for carrying the ark of God (1 Chron. 15:2, 12-15)?
- 9. How is Psalm 105:1-15 related to 1 Chronicles 16:8-22?

Applications for Today

- 1. Civil government exists to serve the needs of the people, not to grant the desires of the leaders (5:12; 1 Chron. 14:2; Rom. 13:1-7).
- 2. Ask the Lord in prayer to help you make important decisions in life (5:19, 23; 1 Chron. 14:10, 14; Phil. 4:6).
- 3. Do as the Lord directs and commands (5:25; 1 Chron. 14:16; 1 Cor. 7:19).
- 4. Man's good intentions must be controlled and guided by God's divine authority. We must seek to do God's work by following his ordinances and his commands. Do God's work in God's way (6:1-15; 1 Chron. 13:1-14; 15:1-15; 16:40; Col. 3:17).
- 5. Using a "new cart" is like following the ways of the world (the Philistines) instead of following God's commands (6:3; 1 Chron. 13:7; see 1 Sam. 6:7; Gal. 1:6-10).
- 6. Find out a person's motives before being critical of his actions (6:20-23; Jn. 7:24; 1 Cor. 13:4-7; 1 Tim. 6:4; Jas. 4:11-12).