

# ✠ Unsheathing the SWORD ✠



## 2 Samuel

**MEMORIZATION – 2 Samuel 22:2-3a – “The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation.”**

### Chapter 1

1. True or false: When David hears that Saul (who hunted David to kill him) has fallen in battle, David is relieved and happy.

### Chapter 2

1. Where in Judah does David settle?

2. It's a power struggle for the throne. Who are the two kings?

3. Finish filling in the blanks using the following words: Israel, Judah, Joab, Abner, Ish-Bosheth

KING

KINGDOM

ARMY COMMANDER

David \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

### Chapter 3

1. How many sons of David are listed in chapter three?

2. How many different wives are listed here?

### Chapter 4

1. Intrigue in the palace(s):
  - a) Who kills Abner and why?
  - b) Who kills Ish-Bosheth and why?

## **Chapter 5**

1. How old is David when he becomes king, and how long does he reign?
2. What people have control of Jerusalem?
3. We call Bethlehem the “city of David.” What does King David call “city of David?”
4. Do any of the names of David’s children mentioned here sound familiar?
5. Again we read of the Lord’s involvement in the warfare. Think about what it would be like to hear marching in the tops of trees and know it means “the Lord has gone out in front of you.”

## **Chapter 6**

1. Party killer: one moment “the whole house of Israel” is celebrating, and the next moment a frightened David parks the ark in a household rather than in Jerusalem. To where is the ark moved after a three month stay in the household?

## **Chapter 7**

1. When David decides to build a “house” for the ark, what does the Lord say (through Nathan) (circle one)?
  - a) Did I ever say to any of the rulers “Why have you not built Me a *house* of cedar?”
  - b) The Lord Himself will establish a *house* for David by establishing the kingdom of David’s offspring forever.

- c) David's offspring will build the *house* for the Lord's name.
- d) all of the above

2. What do you think of David's prayer of response to the promise?

### **Chapter 8 – none**

### **Chapter 9**

Extra credit: Why is David kind to Mephibosheth? See also 1 Samuel 20:15 and 2 Samuel 4:4.

### **Chapter 10 – none**

### **Chapter 11**

1. It's bad enough that David has multiple wives and concubines. Now he blatantly commits adultery with the wife of one of his soldiers. Make a list of some of the sins David commits during this episode.

### **Chapter 12**

1. Who does the Lord send to confront David?
2. What are to be the consequences of David's sin?
3. What are the two names of David and Bathsheba's second son?

### **Chapter 13**

1. It's another disgrace in David's family. Notice that although David hears of this crime, it appears that there is no official punishment.
2. When Absalom returns to Jerusalem he "campaigns" and steals "the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_."

## **Chapter 14**

Extra credit interesting side note: How much does Absalom's hair weigh when he cuts it?

## **Chapter 15**

1. David is fleeing from his own son. What a procession! Soldiers, families, Levites (priests). What very important item is brought out of the city by the Levites?
2. David is a smart man. He sends loyal individuals back into the city with the ark. List the five individuals.

## **Chapter 16**

1. Compare 16:21-22 to Nathan's words of 12:11-12.

## **Chapter 17 – none**

## **Chapter 18**

1. Absalom's hair becomes a "snare." How does Absalom die?
2. David's emotions are in turmoil. Why is there no joy in victory?

## **Chapter 19 – none**

## **Chapter 20**

1. More blood and guts (literally). Keep reading.

## **Chapter 21 – none**

## **Chapter 22**

1. Prayerfully read chapter 22 and write out your favorite verse.

## **Chapter 23**

1. Picture a band of manly men out for adventure. They align themselves with David. Do any of the names sound familiar?
2. Notice David's mention of salvation. Who is to bring David's salvation to fruition?

## **Chapter 24**

1. How many fighting men:
  - a) in Israel?
  - b) in Judah?
2. Whose threshing floor does David buy?

Trick question: A Jebusite is from which tribe of the Israelites?

3. What does David build on the threshing floor?

For questions contact Janette Dodge ([mail@awakeusnow.com](mailto:mail@awakeusnow.com)) or Care Minister Bob Johnson ([bob.awakeusnow@gmail.com](mailto:bob.awakeusnow@gmail.com)).  
Awake office phone: 612-545-5654. Website: [www.awakeusnow.com](http://www.awakeusnow.com).

© Janette Dodge 2006 & 2015

You are permitted to reproduce and distribute this material provided wording is not altered in any way,  
no fee of any kind is charged for the material and Janette Dodge is clearly acknowledged as the source of the material.  
Copyright and contact information must be clearly cited on all copies.

Scripture quotations taken from The Holy Bible, New International Version®, NIV®.  
Copyright © 1973, 1978, 1984, 2011 by Biblica, Inc.®  
Used by permission. All rights reserved worldwide.