## David: A Man After God's Heart

"Patience" 2 Samuel 1-5

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Introduction: We have finished our study of 1 Samuel where God used Samuel to bridge the gaps between the dark days of the Judges to the greatness of the Davidic Kingdom.

- 1. As we closed 1 Samuel, Saul and several of his sons had died in battle.
- 2. We know David had been anointed as Saul's replacement (1 Samuel 16) but that was years ago, and David has no kingdom.
- 3. The opening chapters of 2 Samuel tell the story how David became king.
- 4. Like many things in life, this was a process rather than an event.
- 5. As the process unfolds, David models patience.
- 6. As we consider his example, we can learn to be more patient.
- I. David In Mourning
  - A. Loss
  - B. Lies
  - C. Love
- II. Civil War
  - A. King Of Judah
  - B. Ishbosheth

- III. David's Patience
  - A. God's Guidance
  - B. David's Restraint
  - C. David's Righteousness
  - D. David's Reward

Conclusion: There were many years between David being anointed King and David becoming King.

- 1. Most of this time was characterized by injustice.
- 2. Even after Saul's death, it was an additional 7 years for David to become King.
- 3. We live in an impatient culture.
- 4. Impatience can be costly.
- 5. Let us take a lesson from David.
- 6. Psalm 46:10 "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

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