David: A Man After God's Heart

"The City Of David" 2 Samuel 5

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Introduction: As we come to 2 Samuel today, David is now King.

- 1. It took some time, but all the drama was worth it.
- 2. David will reign for the next 33 years and during his time, Israel will become the nation God intended when He brought them to the promised land.
- 3. Today we see the beginning of that process.
- 4. Jerusalem is one of the most significant cities in all human history.
- 5. It is the ideal site for a capital city.
- 6. There is one big problem, Jerusalem is held by the Jebusites.
- 7. David's first move as king was to take Jerusalem and establish it as the new capital.
- 8. As we work through the narrative, we can learn a valuable lesson on facing off with fear.
- Do Not Let Fear Control You, Instead Confront Your Fear
 - A. The Jebusites
 - B. The Challenge Of Jerusalem
- II. As You Confront Your Fears, Depend On God
 - A. Seek His Guidance

B. Follow His Direction

Conclusion: What we see here is a great start.

- 1. For the next 30 plus years, David will lead God's people.
- 2. It will not be perfect, but it will be a great success.
- 3. This is where it begins.
- 4. Success is not an event, it's a process.
- 5. Step by step, day by day, year to year, Israel will become the nation God intended.
- 6. This kind of process/success is available to us today.
- 7. As we confront the challenges of life in dependence on God, we can succeed.
- 3. Will you join me on that journey?