

## In Search of a King 1-2 SAMUEL

<sup>4</sup> For whatever was written in earlier times was written for our instruction, that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

(Romans 15:4)

2 Samuel 4:1-5:16

## David Established as King

## David the King

### 1. A Just King

- David did not reward injustice even when it seemed to benefit him
- David's trust in the Lord's promise made him free of selfish ambition and revenge

Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, "Behold, we are your bone and your flesh." <sup>2</sup> Previously, when Saul was king over us, you were the one who led Israel out and in. And the LORD said to you, "You will shepherd My people Israel, and you will be a ruler over Israel."<sup>3</sup> So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a covenant with them before the LORD at Hebron; then they anointed David king over Israel. <sup>4</sup> David was thirty years old when he became king, and he reigned forty years. <sup>5</sup> At Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months, and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty-three years over all Israel and Judah.

(2 Samuel 5:1-5)

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### 2. A Shepherd-King

- as king, David was to protect, provide, lead and care for God's people
- this "shepherd" motif is fulfilled in the second David – King Jesus, the Good Shepherd

<sup>23</sup>“Then I will set over them one shepherd, My servant David, and he will feed them; he will feed them himself and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup>And I, the LORD, will be their God, and My servant David will be prince among them; I the LORD have spoken.

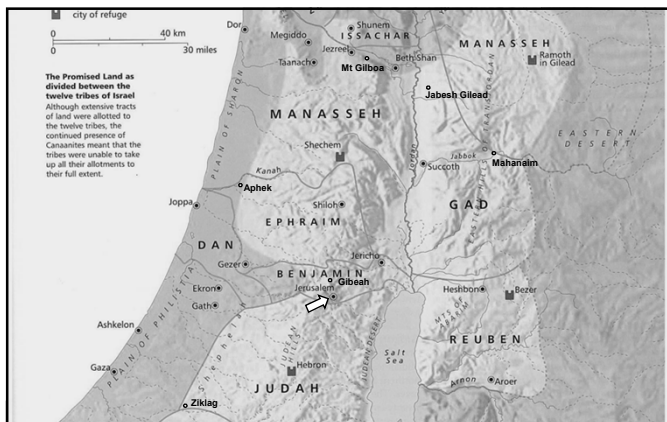
(Ezekiel 34:23-24)

<sup>11</sup>“I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep.

(John 10:11)

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- an exalted city – Jerusalem/Zion would embody the Lord's presence with His people and foreshadow the eternal city (Rev. 21:2)
- David's exaltation as king was for the sake of God's people...like King Jesus!

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- *the exaltation of Jesus as King over all things is for the benefit of the church (Eph. 1:22-23)*