

INTRODUCTION: THE END OF TRANSITION (3:1; 5:10)

- A. FROM SAUL TO DAVID** (2:4a; 5:3,1f; see 1Sam.15:23f,28)
- B. FROM SAUL'S HOUSEHOLD TO DAVID'S HOUSEHOLD** (3:2-5; see 1Sam.13:13,14)
- C. THE LORD WITH DAVID** (5:10; see 1Sam.16:13,18; 17:45f; 18:12,14)
- D. REDEEMED FROM ALL DISTRESS** (4:9; 1Kngs.1:29; see Gen.48:16; see 2Sam.7:9; 8:6,14; Psalms!; e.g., 31:7; 34:4; see 2Sam.22:1=Ps.18, title)
- E. THE WICKED NOT WITH DAVID: REJECTS WICKED FRIENDS** (c.2-4; see Ps.26:5; 101:8)

I. DAVID REJECTS HIS AMALEKITE FRIEND (2Sam.1:1-16)

- A. SEEKS TO PLEASE DAVID** (1:2,10; see 4:10)
- B. TAKES CREDIT FOR KILLING SAUL** (1:5-10,14,16)
- C. DAVID REJECTS HIS WICKED FRIEND** (1:15,16; see 14&16 w/1Sam.24:6&10; 26:9&11(16,23))

II. DAVID REJECTS HIS BENJAMITE FRIENDS (2Sam.4:1-12)

- A. SEEK TO HELP DAVID** (4:7,8)
- B. GIVE CREDIT TO THE LORD** (4:8f; see 1Sam.24:4; 26:8)
- C. DAVID CONFESSES THE LORD** (4:9; see 7:1; 8:1f; Psalms)
- D. DAVID REJECTS HIS WICKED FRIENDS** (4:10-12; see 1:14f)

III. DAVID REJECTS HIS NEPHEW FRIEND (2Sam.3:26-39; see 17:25; 1Chr.2:15,16)

- A. SEEKS TO HELP DAVID** (3:22-25; see 1Sam.14:50; 2Sam.2:8f,12f,23; see 2Kngs.20:13f)
- B. MURDERS ABNER** (3:26-30; see 20:9f)
- C. DAVID REJECTS HIS WICKED NEPHEW** (3:26-39 /1Kngs.2:5,6; 28-34(5,32,33) /Dt.13:6f(Mt.10:37); 21:7)

IV. REJECT YOUR WICKED FRIENDS!

- A. THE SON OF DAVID REJECTED THE HELP OF THE WICKED** (Mt.4:8f; Mk.1:24f,34; 3:11f; Lk.9:54f)
- B. THE APOSTLE PAUL REJECTED THE HELP OF THE WICKED** (Rom.3:8; 6:1; see Acts 8:18f; 16:17)
- C. DO NOT *SEEK* GOOD ENDS BY EVIL MEANS!** (1Sam.1-4; see Ex.20:1-17; Col.4:5,6; 1Pt.2:13f(1Tm.2:1); 3:1f; see Acts 2:42; Rom.10:17; 1Tm.4:16; 2Tm.3:14-17)
- D. DO NOT *ACCEPT* GOOD ENDS BY EVIL MEANS!** (2Sam.1-4; see Ex.20:1-17)
- E. REJECT THE GIFT AND REBUKE THE GIVER!** (1Sam.1:11f; 3:26-39; 4:9-12; Acts 8:19f)
- F. DO WHAT YOU CAN AGAINST EVIL UNTIL YOU CAN DO MORE** (2Sam.3:39; 1Kngs.2:5,6; 28-34)
- G. WAIT PATIENTLY FOR GOD TO FULFILL HIS OWN PROMISES** (1Sam.16:13; 24:6,10; 26:9-11; 2Sam.4:9; 1Kngs.1:29(Gen.48:16); see 2Sam.7:9; 8:6,14; Psalms!; e.g., 31:7; 34:4; 42:5,11; 43:5; see 2Sam.22:1=Ps.18, title)