2 Samuel 5:1-25

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Main Idea: Rejoice in the God Who keeps His word, uses us for the good of others, and directs all who seek Him.

I. God Fulfills His Promises: Celebrate God's work with an expectant faith (vs. 1-5)

II. God Shares His Rule: Authority is to be used for the good of others (vs. 6-16; esp. v. 12)

III. God Delivers His People: Seek God's direction in every situation and obey Him (vs. 17-25)

Sermon Study Guide

(Reminder: The purpose of the questions is to explore the text and themes of the sermon. **Do not feel a need to go through all of the questions.** The goal is to stimulate discussion/reflection and transformation related to the sermon text and themes.)

1. Finally David is crowned king over all Israel! What do we learn about God's character, the certainty of His promises, and how should we live in light of those divine promises yet to be fulfilled?

2. In 2 Samuel 5, the narrator moves back and forth between early parts of David's reign and later parts. What purpose does this serve, in other words, what's being emphasized?

3. V. 12, tells us that God put David over Israel, for Israel's benefit. How do you view your authority: at work, school, as a parent, your leadership at church? How did Christ view His work and authority?

4. The second time the Philistines came, David didn't presume to know the Lord's mind, instead he sought God's direction and then obeyed. What implications might this have for your life in your current