

2 Samuel 8

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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. According to 2 Samuel 7, God promised to establish His kingdom on earth through David's line. We see it fulfilled in part in David's lifetime (2 Sam. 8) but it will reach its final fulfillment under Jesus' reign. How does God's kingdom under David's reign foreshadow God's kingdom under Christ's rule (Lk. 17:20-21, 22-37)?
2. David had to defeat his enemies in order to establish his kingship. What means will Christ use to defeat His enemies and establish His kingdom (Ps. 2:1-9; Joel 3:9-17; 2 Thess. 1:7b-8; 2:8-10)?
3. The nations around Israel resisted David's rule, except Toi, king of Hamath. What does that reveal about reactions to Christ's rule, and how should we respond (see Ps. 2:10-12)?
4. David's reign was summarized as one of justice and righteousness for all his people, it doesn't mean David was perfect, but his reign was characterized as doing what a godly king was supposed to do. How can you exemplify God's kingdom in the role God has given you (elder, father, mother, employer, employee, teacher, student etc)?