

KING AT LAST!

II Samuel 2-5

What can we learn from David as we observe his life at the time of his coronation?

It was a time of

I. **TRUST** - II Sam. 2:1-3

A. RECENT HOLINESS

1. Strengthened in the Lord (I Sam. 30:6)
2. Inquiring of the Lord (I Sam. 30:8)
3. Respectful of God's Leader (II Sam. 1)
 - Lovingly eulogizing Saul his longtime enemy

B. CONTINUED RIGHTEOUSNESS - II Sam. 2:1-3

1. The Reality
 - David had a crown but not a kingdom - See II Sam. 1:10
2. The Request - II Sam. 2:1
3. The Response - II Sam. 2:1-3

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II. **TRIUMPH** - II Sam. 2:4-8

A. CORONATION - II Sam. 2:4a

1. The Recognition
2. The Record
 - Almost anti-climatic
3. The Reality: David had waited 15 years for this!
 - Note all that had transpired leading up to this moment ...
 - a. Promise - I Sam. 16:1, 13
 - b. Power - I Sam. 17:45-50
 - c. Promotion - I Sam. 18:5-7
 - d. Problem - I Sam. 18:12-14
 - e. Persecution - I Sam. 19:8-11
 - f. Pitfalls - I Sam. 19:12-22:2
 - g. Peace - I Sam. 24, 26
 - h. Panic - I Sam. 27-29
 - i. Passion - I Sam. 30, II Sam. 1
4. The Record
 - a. God keeps His word and protects His chosen
 - b. Isaiah 40:31 "They that wait upon the Lord ..."

B. APPRECIATION - II Sam. 2:4b-7

1. Information (4b)
2. Delegation (5-7)
3. Indications
 - a. A final show of respect for Saul
 - b. An indication of his diplomatic prowess
 - c. An illustration of David's grateful ways

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III. **TENSION** - II Sam. 2:8 -5:3

A. THE CONDITIONS

1. National Division (2:8-11)
2. Civil War (2:12-3:1)
3. Abner's Treason (3:6-21)
4. Joab's Conspiracy (3:22-39)
5. Ishbosheth's Murder (4:1-12)

B. THE CONSEQUENCES (5:1-5)

1. This tension produced a leadership vacuum in Israel
2. The leadership vacuum resulted in political consolidation in Judah
3. A united kingdom came out of the chaos

CONCLUSION:

Someday we will rule and reign with Christ - See II Tim. 2:11-12 (and also Rev. 20:6)

- *What are you doing now, while you wait?*

1. Are you currently trusting?
2. Are you regularly triumphing?
3. Are you enduring tension?

Let us relax and rest in God's plans and perfect timing