

**1Samuel 31****Key Verse:** vs.11-12**Key Word:** defeat – v.8**X-Ref:** 1Chronicles 10:11ff.; 1Samuel 11:1ff.**Paraphrase:** *Saul and his sons die in battle against the Philistines. Examining the Text:*

- 1) While Saul spent a great deal of time focused on an imaginary enemy (David), what real enemy finally killed him? *The Philistines.*
- 2) What imaginary problems keep you from focusing on what matters? *The need to check email and respond, concern over bills, the need to respond to text messages immediately. These answers will be more specific to you.*
- 3) The people of Jabesh-gilead took down the bodies of Saul and his sons from the wall of the Philistine city. What connection does Saul have with Jabesh-gilead? Saul once saved their city – 1Samuel 11:1. **2Samuel 1**

**Key Verse:** vs.26-27**Key Word:** mourned – vs.12, 17**X-Ref:** Psalm 89:39; 1Samuel 30; 1Samuel 15**Paraphrase:** *David hears about the deaths of Saul and Jonathan and mourns for them.***Examining the Text:**

- 1) Where was David when Saul died? *Either fighting the Amalekites or back in Ziklag (1Samuel 30).*
- 2) What is ironic about Saul commissioning an Amalekite to kill him? *Back in 1Samuel 15, God commanded Saul to destroy the Amalekites.*
- 3) First Samuel 31 indicates that Saul killed himself. What scenarios could explain the Amalekites story? *If he is telling the truth then Saul didn't succeed in killing himself. If he is lying, he took the items after Saul was dead and was expecting a reward.*

**1Samuel 2****Key Verse:** vs.4, 9.**Key Word:** king – vs.4, 9.**X-Ref:** 2Samuel 5:1-5**Paraphrase:** *Judah makes David king, and Abner makes Ish-bosheth king over Israel.***Examining the Text:**

- 1) Why did David inquire of God? *He wanted to know where God wanted him to go – vs.1-4.*
- 2) List the kings and their domains. *David was king over Judah. Ish-bosheth was king over Israel.*
- 3) When did Abner suddenly decide to be concerned about the unity of God's people? *When his life was at stake*

– v.26. **1Samuel 3****Key Verse:** v.39**Key Word:** struck – v.27**X-Ref:** 2Timothy 4:14; Psalm 28:4**Paraphrase:** *Abner promises to deliver the kingdom to David. Joan kills Abner in revenge for killing his brother.***Examining the Text:**

- 1) List David's wives and note their fathers if mentioned. *(A) Ahimoam (B) Abigail (C) Maachah, daughter of Talmi, king of Geshur (D) Haggith (E) Abigail (F) Elgah*
- 2) What seemingly provoked Abner to deliver Israel to David? *Because king Ish-bosheth looked down on him – vs.6-11.*
- 3) Did David believe that Joab had a right to kill Abner? What are your thoughts on this? *No, David was very displeased and saw his actions as evil. Abner tried to get Joab's brother to stop chasing him. **1Samuel 4***

**Key Verse:** v.11**Key Word:** wicked men – v.11**X-Ref:** Psalm 31:7**Paraphrase:** *We are introduced to Jonathan's son Mephibosheth. Two men slay Ish-bosheth in his bed. David puts them to death.*

**Examining the Text:**

- 1) How did Jonathan's son become crippled? *His nurse fell with him while fleeing after Saul and Jonathan's deaths.*

**Week Thirty-nine**

**Daily Bible Study**

**1Samuel 31 – 2Samuel 6 - Answers**

- 2) What is David's point in verse 9? *These evil men thought they were helping David and were seeking a reward. David would continue to depend on God to deliver him, not wicked men.*
- 3) What would hanging the bodies of these men accomplish? *All would see and know how David felt about such actions.*

**1Samuel 5**

**Key Verse:** vs.10 & 25

**Key Word:** *Covenant, Anointed – v.3*

**X-Ref:** *1Chronicles 11:1ff; 1Kings 2:11; Matthew 2:6*

**Paraphrase:** *David and Israel make a covenant. They anoint him king. David obeys God and wins battles over the Philistines.*

**Examining the Text:**

- 1) When Israel had their own king, it seemed like they forgot that God had chosen David. Had they forgotten? *No, they just didn't listen to God – v.2.*
- 2) How long did David reign over Israel and Judah? *Israel and Judah – 33 years. Judah alone – 7 years and 6 months.*
- 3) Define "Baal-perazim". "Possessor of breaches" – New Unger's Bible Dictionary. "Lord of breaches" – ISBE. **1Samuel 6**

**Key Verse:** vs.3, 7

**Key Word:** *ark*

**X-Ref:** *Exodus 25:13-14*

**Paraphrase:** *David transports the ark to Jerusalem. Examining*

**the Text:**

1. Why might a "new" cart be used verses and old one? *A new one would not be ritually unclean. – IVP Bible Background Commentary.*
2. Why did God strike Uzzah dead? *Because he touched the ark – vs.6.*
3. According to Exodus 25:13-14, how was the ark to be transported? *On poles by priests on their shoulders.*
4. How was the ark transported from Obed-edom's house to Jerusalem? *On poles by priests on their shoulders – v.13.*