

I. We Wait on God to Establish Our Names (1-2)

- A. **A commitment to unity under David** (1) - "Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, "Behold, we are your bone and flesh."
- B. **An affirming clarity about David** (2a) - "In times past, when Saul was king over us, it was you who led out and brought in Israel."
- C. **An embracing of destiny for David** (2b) - "And the Lord said to you, You shall be shepherd of my people Israel, and you shall be prince over Israel."

II. We Hope in God for Promised Breakthrough (3-5)

- A. **God will handle your opposition** (3) - "So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord, and they anointed David king over Israel."
- B. **God will teach you to trust His timing** (4) - "David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years."
- C. **Breakthrough may come incrementally** (5) - "At Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months, and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah thirty-three years."

III. We Learn to Treasure the Presence of God (10-12)

- A. **God's presence is God's favor** (10) - "And David became greater and greater, for the Lord, the God of hosts, was with him."
- B. **God's presence will often birth favor with man** (11) - "And Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and cedar trees, also carpenters and masons who built David a house."
- C. **God presence blesses others through us** (12) - "And David knew that the Lord had established him king over Israel, and that He had exalted his kingdom for the sake of His people Israel."

"You need to persevere, so that after you have done the will of God, you will receive what He has promised." - Hebrews 10:36

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." - Romans 12:12

"By your patience possess your souls." - Luke 21:19

"You too, be patient and strengthen your hearts, because the Lord's coming is near." - James 5:8

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." - Galatians 6:9