



First and Second Samuel Pursuing the Heart of God

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1 Samuel 31:1~2 Samuel 1:27
Saul's Death and David's Lament
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Theme: While David is experiencing military success to the South against the Amalekites, Saul and his sons die in battle against the Philistines to the North. Though Saul's death has opened the door for David's ascension to the throne, David mourns and honors Saul and Jonathan. David assumes the role of interpreter of events to his people and will continue through his many inspired psalms.

Outline:

1. Saul's Last Battle (31:1-13)
 - A. The Bitter End of Saul (31:1-7)
 - B. Tragedy Countered by Grace (31:8-13)

2. David Receives News of Saul's Death (2 Sam. 1:1-16)

A. Conflicting Report? (2 Sam 1:1-10)

B. Trying to Gain Favor (2 Sam 1:11-16)

3. David's Lament (2 Sam 1:17-27)

Takeaways:

The proper response to the fall of failed leaders is to lament their failure, not to celebrate.

God is most glorified in us when we are most satisfied in Him and trust in Him as seen in the contrast between the life of David and the life of Saul.

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David Anointed King over Judah & War Between the Houses of David and Saul

2 Samuel 2:1- 3:5