

Review Questions

1. Why did David leave Israel for the land of the Philistines? *Saul kept hunting him and trying to kill him.*
2. What Philistine king of Gath did David serve for over a year? *Achish.*
3. What city did Achish give David and his men to live in? *Ziklag.*
4. Why did Achish think David would remain loyal to him? What did David tell him he and his men were doing? *Achish thought David was raiding and stealing from people in Israel.*
5. Who were David and his men actually raiding even though they told Achish they were attacking Israelites? *Enemies of the Israelites.*
6. Why did David and his men go with the Philistine army to attack the Israelites? *Because they were servants of Achish, and he was a Philistine king.*
7. How did God spare David and his men from having to fight their own people? *The Philistine commanders sent them away and refused to let them fight.*
8. What were the Philistines afraid David and his men would do during the battle? *Turn against them and fight for the Israelites.*
9. What happened to Ziklag, David's city, while he and his men were away with Achish? *Amalekites raided the city, stole everything, captured the people, and burned it.*
10. How did David and his men feel when they found Ziklag destroyed and their families gone? *Sad, distressed, angry.*
11. David's men were so upset their wives and children were taken that they talked about doing what to David? *Stoning him.*
12. Where did David turn for help and strength when his family was gone and his city destroyed? *God.*
13. What happened when David and his men pursued the Amalekites? *They caught up to them, destroyed most of them, and recovered their families and everything that was taken.*
14. What happened in the battle between the Philistines and the Israelites fighting under King Saul? *The Israelites were defeated; Saul and his three sons were killed.*
15. After Saul's death, David became king of which Israelite tribe? *Judah.*
16. What was the name of the commander of Saul's army? *Abner.*
17. Which remaining son of Saul did Abner make king of Israel? *Ish-bosheth.*
18. What happened to Ish-bosheth? *He was murdered by two of his own captains.*
19. How long was David king of Judah before all of Israel came to make him king? *Over 7 years.*
20. What city did David conquer and make his new capital? *Jerusalem.*
21. Name one thing that made Jerusalem a good choice for a capital city. *(Allow several students to answer.) It was a fortress protected by three deep valleys and walls. It had a source of fresh water. It was located along trade routes.*
22. What good qualities did David show by waiting for God's timing? *Patience, faith.*

Bonus: Why did David's commander Joab kill Abner? *Abner had killed Joab's younger brother in a battle, so Joab wanted revenge.*

Bonus: What was the name of David's capital city when he was king of Judah? *Hebron.*