

in the following listing of these tragedies, from memory, or looking them up in the indicated chapters.

Nathan prophesies great heartache coming for David, and David and Bathsheba's _____ dies (12). Amnon sins against his sister _____, and _____ murders him, and flees (13-14). Absalom revolts against his father, and _____ flees, and is abused by _____ (who casts stones at him), and Absalom sins against David's ten _____ (15-17). Israelites are killed, Absalom is killed, and David mourns more for his _____ son Absalom than for his loyal followers (18). The Judeans and Ephraim fight over escorting David back to _____, _____ leads another revolt against David, and Joab kills _____ (19-20). There is a famine, and _____ grandsons of Saul are put to death (21). (David composes a praise song to the Lord, and he records some _____ words, 22-23.) David numbers the people, in disobedience to the Lord, and the Israelites suffer a ____-day pestilence resulting in the death of _____,000 more Israelites.

Saturday (September 21)—prayerfully see if you can help embed the book of II Samuel by writing from memory the overview notes at the top of this Study Guide (after first reviewing them)!

1. Give the theme of II Samuel! _____
2. Give the three-part outline of II Samuel from memory (review as necessary, at the top of this handout). _____
3. Give the over-arching message to CBC in this message. _____
4. Where is Christ in this book? _____
5. How many chapters in this book of II Samuel?! _____
6. Give something you can apply to your life from this book. _____

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David's sin in numbering the people (24) II Samuel 24 and review

Theme of II Samuel: **the reign of King David**

Message to CBC: **Be a man after God's own heart (obedient and quick to confess disobedience, I Sam 13:14/Acts 13:22).**

Christ in II Samuel: **Christ as king of Kings receives His title through the line of David established in this book (7:8-16); (extra) David is a most important type of Christ; the promise of a permanent dynasty is fulfilled in Christ, the "son of David" (Mt 21:9; 22:45), who will sit upon the throne of David.**

Key verses: **5:3-5, 12; 7:3, 16; 11:1; 12:7-8, 13; 23:1**

II Samuel Outline (TTtB)

- I. David's **triumphs** (1-10)
- II. David's **transgressions** (11)
- III. David's **troubles** (12-24)

Monday (September 16)—prayerfully read and "enjoy" the story of II Samuel 24:1-9, David's sin in numbering the people.

1. Whose anger was kindled against Israel, and why (24:1)? _____

(bonus) Who do you suppose is the antecedent of "he" in this verse? _____
2. Whom did David direct to number the people, and who resisted numbering them (24:2-4)? _____

(bonus) Joab gives good counsel to David here in spite of Joab's many short-comings; can you think of any other time Joab gave good counsel? _____
3. What river did they pass over in their numbering of the Israelites, and what other river is named (24:5)? _____
4. Name two of the cites identified in these verses, which were part of the numbering (24:6-7). _____

- How long were they doing this census (numbering the people), and what was the total (24:8-9)? _____

- What can you apply to your life from this section? _____

Tuesday (September 17)—prayerfully read and enjoy II Samuel 24:10-17, David’s choice of punishment.

- When did David’s heart smite him (24:10)? _____

What did David do when he saw his sin (which was his characteristic way of responding upon seeing his sin)? _____

- What prophet was sent to David, and how is he identified, besides by his name and title “prophet” (24:11)? _____

- What three choices did the LORD give David (24:12-13)? _____

- How many died in the three-day plague, and what was the geographic extent of the plague (24:15)? _____

- Where was the death angel when the LORD said to him, “It is enough” (24:16)? _____

- How did David demonstrate again that he was a man after God’s own heart, and how can we imitate that? _____

Wednesday (September 18)—prayerfully read and enjoy II Samuel 24:18-25, David buys Araunah’s threshing floor and erects an altar.

- What prophet told David to build an altar to the LORD, and where was he to build it (24:18)? _____

- Did David do according to the saying of Gad (24:19)? _____
- Had the LORD also told Araunah what He had told David, and what was Araunah’s attitude (24:20-23)? _____

- Did David agree to Araunah’s offer (24:24)? _____

(bonus) Recite the following famous line from this story: “neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the LORD my God of that which cost me nothing.” Did you?! _____

- What two kinds of offerings did David offer, and did the plague stop (24:25)? _____
- What does this story tell us about God?! _____

Thursday (September 19)—**prayerfully** skim through II Samuel 1-10, and list five or so highlights of David’s triumphs; the easiest way to do this is using chapter titles present in many Bibles. The lines below are by chapter breakdowns, which might help organize our thinking. The first four chapters are given for a pattern.

- 1-2 David hears of Saul’s death, mourns, and is received by the Judeans as king, and defeats the forces of Ishbosheth and Abner who come out against him.
- 3-4 David’s family flourishes in Hebron, Joab defects to David, Joab murders Abner, and Ishbosheth is murdered.
- 5-6 _____

- 7-8 _____

- 9-10 _____

Friday (September 20)—II Samuel 11 (with David’s great sins of adultery with Bathsheba and murder of Uriah) is a great pivot chapter of II Samuel, moving from the triumphs of the first 10 chapters to the tragedies of chapters 12-24. Fill in the blanks