

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: January 25, 2023
2 Samuel 8-9; 1 Chronicles 18

1. What happened in our last Bible Study in 2 Samuel 7?
 - a. David realized that he was living in a house of cedar while God was dwelling in a tent, so he wanted to build a house for God.
 - b. He told the prophet Nathan what he wanted to do and Nathan told him to do what he had in his head to do.
 - c. God spoke to Nathan overnight and told him to tell David that it wouldn't be him who builds a house for the Lord, but his son who would be king after him.
 - d. David prayed and praised the Lord for his promises and all that he had done for him.

2. What happens in 2 Samuel 8:1-14?
 - a. David defeated the Philistines.
 - b. David defeated the Moabites.
 - c. David defeated the king of Zobah.
 - d. David defeated the Arameans...I'm sensing a pattern.
 - e. The King of Hamath heard about David's victories and sent his son to bring gifts...probably so David didn't defeat them too.
 - f. David struck down 18,000 Edomites and the Edomites became subject to him.
 - g. The Lord gave David victory wherever he went.

3. What does 8:15 say about David? _____

4. What did David do in 9:1-4? _____

What did David do, when he found out about the son of Jonathan, according to 9:5 (and, oh by the way, where have we heard about this before)? _____

5. What happened when Mephibosheth arrived, according to 9:6-11?
 - a. Mephibosheth bowed down to pay David honor.
 - b. David called him by name and told him not to be afraid.
 - c. David told him that he would show him kindness for the sake of his father Jonathan and restore to him all the land that belonged to Saul.
 - d. David told him he would always eat at his table.
 - e. He instructed Saul's steward to farm the land and take care of it and bring everything to Mephibosheth.

6. How did Mephibosheth respond, according to 9:8? _____

7. How do we treat people who are weak and without influence when we are in a place of power and authority? _____