





Sunday 14th January 2024 King at last! (2 Samuel 5)

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2. The King will make a secure home for God's people



3. The king will decisively defeat the enemy of God's people



Questions for our midweek discipleship groups and personal reflection

How was it an 'open secret' that David would become king of all Israel?

In what way is the Gospel of Jesus an open secret? (Mark 4:11)

1. The King will faithfully shepherd God's people

Read 2 Samuel 5:1-5.

What were the similarities for David between shepherding sheep and shepherding the nation of Israel? How had God been preparing him?

How is Jesus the Good Shepherd (John 10:11)?

How will you listen to the Shepherd's voice this year (John 10:4, 27)?

2. The King will make a secure home for God's people

Read 2 Samuel 5:6-12.

What made the Jebusites confident of their security? However, what was decisive in David's victory?

What was special about Jerusalem/Zion for God's people?

How is Jerusalem a picture of our heavenly home? (Revelation 21:1-4)

3. The King will decisively defeat the enemy of God's people

Read 2 Samuel 5:17-25.

What did David do first in each case of Philistine attacks?
What does Psalm 24:8 show us about where David's confidence was?

Praise God that Jesus decisively defeated our ultimate enemy (1 Cor 15:57)!

Read 2 Samuel 5:13-16.

How does this remind us of David's weaknesses as king?

How does Luke 1:32-33 encourage us about Jesus' perfect reign?!