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## The Timeline for the Life of David

**The basis for this commentary is taken from MP3 files on First and Second Samuel from Arnold Fruchtenbaum and Ariel Ministries in San Antonio, Texas.**

The Life of David from a Jewish Perspective (Ac)

Reading Isra'el's History Books (Ad)

The Nature of the Psalms (Ae)

The Problem of Holy War in the TaNaKh (Af)

### **I. Young David - First Samuel 16:1 to 20:42 (Ag)**

**A. Samuel Anoints David - First Samuel 16:1-13 (Ah)**

**B. David in Saul's Service - First Samuel 16:14-23 (Ai)21**

**C. David in Saul's Service - First Samuel 16:14-23 (Ai)**

1. Goliath Mocks Isra'el - First Samuel 17:1-16 (Ak)

2. David Kills Goliath - First Samuel 17:17-58 (Al)

**D. Sha'ul's Growing Fear of David - First Samuel 18:1 to 20:42 (Am)**

1. David and Jonathan's Friendship - First Samuel 18:1-9 (An)

2. Sha'ul's Jealousy of David - First Samuel 18:10-30 (Ao)

**E. Sha'ul Tries to Kill David - First Samuel 19:1-24 (Ap)**

**Sha'ul Sent Men to Kill David - Psalm 59:1-17 (Aq)**

**F. David and Y'honatan - First Samuel 20:1-42 (Ar)**

1. Y'honatan Helps David Escape - First Samuel 20:1-24a (As)
2. Y'honatan Defends David - First Samuel 20:24b-42 (At)

**II. David on the Run - 1 Samuel 21:1 to 2 Samuel 1:27; 1 Chron 10:1-14; 12:1-22 (Au)**

**A. David at Nov - First Samuel 21:1-9 (Av)**

**B. David at Gath - First Samuel 21:10-15 (Aw)**

1. The Philistines Seized David at Gath - Psalm 56:1-13 (Ax)
2. David Pretended to be Insane Before Abimelek - Psalm 34:1-22 (Ay)

**C. David at Adullam and Mizpah - First Samuel 22:1-23 (Az)**

1. David Escapes to the Cave of Adullam - First Samuel 22:1-2 (Ba)
2. David Prayed When He Was in the Cave of Adullam - Psalm 142:1-7 (Bb)

**D. David Went to Mizpah in Mo'av - First Samuel 22:3-5 (Bc)**

**E. Sha'ul Kills the Priests of Nov - First Samuel 22:6-23 (Bd)**

When Doeg the Edomite Had Gone to Sha'ul - Psalm 52:1-9 (Be)

**F. David Saves Keilah - First Samuel 23:1-6 (Bf)**

**G. Sha'ul Pursues David - First Samuel 23:7-29 (Bg)**

1. When David Was in the Desert of Y'hudah - Psalm 63:1-11 (Bh)
2. When the Ziphites Had Gone to Sha'ul - Psalm 54:1-7 (Bi)

**H. David Spares Sha'ul's Life - First Samuel 24:1-22 (Bj)**

When David Had Fled From Sha'ul into the Cave - Psalm 57:1-11 (Bk)

**I. David, Nabal and Abigail - First Samuel 25:1-44 (Bl)**

1. David's Affront from Nabal - First Samuel 25:1-13 (Bm)
2. Abigail Acted Quickly - First Samuel 25:14-35 (Bn)
3. David Married Abigail - First Samuel 25:36-44 (Bo)

**J. David Spares Saul's Life Again - First Samuel 26:1-25 (Bp)**

1. Do Not Lay a Hand on ADONAI's Anointed - First Samuel 26:1-12 (Bq)
2. Sha'ul Promises Not to Harm David - First Samuel 26:13-25 (Br)

**K. David Among the Philistines - 1 Samuel 27:1 to 28:2; 1 Chron 12:1-22 (Bs)**

**L. Achish Sends David Back to Ziklag - First Samuel 29:1-11 (Bt)**

**M. The Timeline for David's Return to Ziklag and Hearing About Sha'ul's Death (Bu)**

**N. Sha'ul and the Medium at Endor - First Samuel 28:3-25 (Bv)**

**O. Sha'ul Takes His Own Life - First Samuel 31:1-13; First Chronicles 10:1-14 (Bw)**

**P. David Hears of Sha'ul's Death - Second Samuel 1:1-16 (Bx)**

**Q. David's Lament for Sha'ul and Y'honatan - Second Samuel 1:17-27 (By)**

**R. David Destroys the Amalekites - First Samuel 30:1-31 (Bz)**

1. David Inquired of the LORD - First Samuel 30:1-8? (Ca)
2. David Defeats the Amalekites - First Samuel 30:9-17 (Cb)
3. David Recovered His Wives - First Samuel 30:18-31 (Cc)

### **III. King David - Second Samuel 2:1 to 14:33; First Chronicles 11:1 to 20:3 (Cd)**

**A. David Anointed King Over Judah - 2 Sam 2:1-7, 5:1-2 and 1 Chron 11:1-2 (Ce)**

**B. Warriors Join David - First Chronicles 12:23-40 (Cf)**

**C. War Between the Houses of David and Sha'ul - Second Samuel 2:8 to 3:1 (Cg)**

**D. Sons Were Born to David in Hebron - 2 Sam 3:2-5 and First Chron 3:1-4a (Ch)**

**E. David's Accession to Kingship Over Isra'el - Second Samuel 3:6 to 5:25 (Ci)**

1. Abner Goes Over to David - Second Samuel 3:6-21 (Cj)
2. Joab Murders Abner - Second Samuel 3:22-39 (Ck)
3. Ish-Bosheth, King of Isra'el, Murdered - Second Samuel 4:1-12 (Cl)
4. David Anointed King Over All Isra'el - 2 Samuel 5:1-5; 1 Chronicles 11:1-3 (Cm)
5. David Defeats the Philistines - 2 Samuel 5:17-25; 1 Chronicles 14:8-17 (Cn)
6. David Conquers Yerushalayim - 2 Sam 5:6-12; 1 Chronicles 11:4-9 and 14:1-2 (Co)
7. Children Born to David in Zion - 2 Samuel 5:13-16; 1 Chronicles 3:5-8 and 14:3-7 (Cp)

**F. David's Powerful Reign - Second Samuel 6:1 to 8:18 (Cq)**

1. The Ark Brought to Zion - 2 Sam 6:1-23; 1 Chronicles 13:1-14, 15:1-29, 16:1-3 (Cr)
2. Ministering Before the Ark - First Chronicles 16:4-43 (Cs)

3. The LORD's Covenant with David - 2 Samuel 7:1-17; First Chronicles 17:1-15 (Ct)

ADONAI Swore an Oath to David - Psalm 132:1-18 (Cu)

4. David's Prayer to ADONAI - 2 Samuel 7:18-29; First Chronicles 17:16-27 (Cv)

You Have Rejected Us, God, Now Restore Us - Psalm 60:1-12 (Cw)

5. David's Victories - Second Samuel 8:1-14; First Chronicles 18:1-13 (Cx)

6. David's Officials - Second Samuel 8:15-18; First Chronicles 18:14-17 (Cy)

#### **G. The Sword Will Never Depart From Your House - Second Samuel 9:1 to 14:33 (Cz)**

1. David and Mephibosheth - Second Samuel 9:1-13 (Da)
2. David Defeats the Ammonites - 2 Samuel 10:1-19; 1 Chronicles 19:1-19 (Db)
3. David and Bathsheba - Second Samuel 11:1-27 (Dc)
4. Nathan Rebukes David - Second Samuel 12:1-14 (Dd)
5. David's Son Dies - Second Samuel 12:15-25 (De)

O God, A Broken and Contrite Heart You Will Not Despise - Psalm 51:1-19 (Df)

6. The Capture of Rabbah - Second Samuel 12:26-31; First Chronicles 20:1-3 (Dg)
7. Amnon and Tamar - Second Samuel 13:1-22 (Dh)
8. Conflict with Absalom - Second Samuel 13:23 to 14:33 (Di)
  - a. Absalom Kills Amnon - Second Samuel 13:23-33 (Dj)
  - b. Absalom Flees - Second Samuel 13:34-39 (Dk)
  - c. The Wise Woman of Tekoa - Second Samuel 14:1-20 (Dl)

- d. Absalom Returns to Jerusalem - Second Samuel 14:21-33 (Dm)

#### **IV. David the Ousted King - Second Samuel 15:1 to 19:8 and 20:23-26 (Dn)**

**A. Absalom's Conspiracy - Second Samuel 15:1-12 (Do)**

**B. David Flees From Absalom - Second Samuel 15:13-37 (Dp)**

ADONAI, You are a Shield Around Me, the Lifter of My Head - Psalm 3:1-8 (Dq)

**C. David and Ziba - Second Samuel 16:1-4 (Dr)**

**D. Shim'i Curses David - Second Samuel 16:5-14 (Ds)**

ADONAI My God, In You I Take Refuge - Psalm 7:1-17 (Dt)

**E. The Advice of Ahithophel and Hushai - Second Samuel 16:15 to 17:29 (Du)**

1. Ahithophel is Described in Glowing Terms - Second Samuel 16:15 to 17:4 (Dv)

2. Hushai's Advice is Declared Better Than Ahithophel's - 2 Samuel 17:5-16 (Dw)

3. Ahithophel Commits Suicide - Second Samuel 17:17-23: (Dx)

**F. David Battles Absalom - Second Samuel 17:24 to 19:8a (Dy)**

1. Joab Kills Absalom - Second Samuel 17:24 to 18:18 (Dz)

2. David Mourns Absalom - Second Samuel 18:19 to 19:8a (Ea)

**G. David's Officials - Second Samuel 20:23-26 (Eb)**

#### **V. David the Comeback King - Second Samuel 19:8b to 24:25; First Chronicles 11:10-47 and 20:4 to 29:30; First Kings 1:1-53 and 2:10-11 (Ec)**

- A. David Returns to Yerushalayim - Second Samuel 19:8b-43 (Ed)**
- B. Sheba Rebels Against David - Second Samuel 20:1-22 (Ee)**
- C. The LORD's Wrath Against Isra'el - Second Samuel 21:1-14 (Ef)**
- D. David's Heroes - Second Samuel 21:15-22; First Chronicles 20:4-8 (Eg)**
- E. David's Song of Praise - Second Samuel 22:1-51 and Psalm 18:1-50 (Eh)**  
  
My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me? - Psalm 22:1-31 (Ei)
- F. David's Mighty Warriors - Second Samuel 23:8-39; First Chronicles 11:10-47 (Ej)**
- G. David Counts the Fighting Men - Second Samuel 24:1-17; First Chronicles 21:1-17 (Ek)**
- H. David Builds an Altar - Second Samuel 24:18-25; First Chronicles 21:18-30 (El)**  
  
His Anger is For a Moment, But Joy Comes in the Morning - Psalm 30:1-12 (Em)
- I. Adonijah Sets Himself Up as King - First Kings 1:1-27 (En)**
- J. David Makes Solomon King - First Kings 1:28-53 (Eo)**
- K. David Makes Preparations for the Temple - First Chronicles 22:1-19 (Ep)**
- L. David Makes Arrangements for Temple Services - 1 Chron 23:1 to 26:32 (Eq)**
  - 1. The Levites - First Chronicles 23:1-6 (Er)
  - 2. The Gershonites - First Chronicles 23:7-11 (Es)
  - 3. The Kohathites - First Chronicles 23:12-20 (Et)
  - 4. The Merarites - First Chronicles 23:21-32 (Eu)
  - 5. The Divisions of Priests - First Chronicles 24:1-19 (Ev)

6. The Rest of the Levites - First Chronicles 24:20-31 (Ew)
7. The Musicians for Ministry in the Temple - First Chronicles 25:1-31 (Ex)
8. The Levitical Gatekeepers for the Temple - First Chronicles 26:1-19 (Ey)
9. Treasurers and Judges of the Temple - First Chron 26:20-32 (Ez)

**M. The Appointment of Military and Tribal Leaders - First Chronicles 27:1-34 (Fa)**

**N. David's Plans for the Temple - First Chronicles 28:1-8 (Fb)**

**O. David's Charge to Solomon Regarding the Temple - First Chronicles 28:9-21 (Fc)**

**P. David Provided Resources for Building the Temple - First Chronicles 29:1-9 (Fd)**

**Q. David's Prayer - First Chronicles 29:10-20 (Fe)**

**R. Solomon Acknowledged as King a Third Time - First Chronicles 29:21-25 (Ff)**

**S. David's Last Charge to Solomon - First Kings 2:1-9 (Fg)**

**T. David's Last Words - Second Samuel 23:1-7 (Fh)**

**U. David's Death - First Kings 2:10-12 and First Chronicles 29:26-30 (Fi)**

Glossary (Fj)

End Notes (Fk)

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