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David’s Powerful Reign
Second Samuel 6:1 to 8:18



As the story of **David’s** accession to the kingship over **Y’hudah (Second Samuel 1:1** to **3:5)** parallels that of **his** accession to the throne of **Y’sra’el (3:6** to **5:16)**, each concluding with a list of **his sons (3:2-5** and **5:13-16)**, so the account of **his** powerful reign **(5:17** to **8:18)** parallels that of **his** court history, each concluding with a roster of **his officials (8:15-18** and **20:23-26).**

The narratives seen here is especially representative of those early chapters of **Second Samuel** that describe **David** and the blessing of **ADONAI**. A key verse in that regard, highlighting the blessing of **the LORD** on **David** and **his** reign, is Second **Samuel 7:29**, containing the final emphatic words of **David’s** prayer: **So may it please You to bless the family of your servant and thereby cause it to continue forever in Your presence. For You, Adonai ELOHIM, have said it. May Your servant’s family be blessed forever by Your blessing.**

A. David Defeats the Philistines (Second Samuel 5:17-25)

B. The Ark Brought to Yerushalayim (Second Samuel 6:1-23)

C. The LORD’s Covenant with David (Second Samuel 7:1-17)

B. David’s Prayer to ADONAI (Second Samuel 7:18-29)

A. David’s Victories (Second Samuel 8:15-18)