

**IMPACT BIBLE STUDY
DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

II SAMUEL 1:1 – 2:32

Day 1 – Read II Samuel 1:1 – 2:32

1. What part of the lecture on I Samuel 28:3 – 31:13 was most significant to you?

Day 2 – Review II Samuel 1:1-16

2. David returned from his own battle and was met by a man from Saul's camp. What was the response to David's question in verse 4?

3. Compare the report in 1:1-10 to what was recorded in I Samuel 31:1-7. What part was false?

4. a. What do you think the messenger expected from David?

b. Why did David kill him?

Day 3 – Review II Samuel 1:11-27

5. Saul had been insanely jealous of David. What were David's feelings on hearing of Saul's death?

6. a. How did David describe Saul and Jonathan in the "song of the bow?"

b. This attitude reveals a godly trait in David. Read Matthew 5:43-48, especially vs. 44. What are Jesus' instructions to you in similar circumstances?

7. a. What do you think would be David's present situation had he stayed in the land of Judah as God had directed in I Samuel 22:5?

b. How can you apply this to your life and your effort to follow God's directions?

8. David appeared to have truly loved "his enemy," King Saul. Saul rejected David and condemned himself.

a. If you reject Jesus' offer of friendship (John 15:14, 15), who is responsible for condemnation?

b. Let us pray earnestly to be like David, when he turned to God for strength to do that which was good in His eyes.

Day 4 – Review II Samuel 2:1-7

9. Notice how David talked to God. What can we learn from this about prayer and the will of God?

10. What past events had happened in this ancient city of Hebron? See Genesis 23:2, 25:9, 10, 35:27-29, 49:30, 31, 50:13.

11. What great event now took place at Hebron and who was involved?

12. What was David's first "official act?"

Day 5 – Review II Samuel 2:8-32

13. Ishbosheth was made king over Israel by whom?

14.
 - a. How long was David's reign over Judah only?

 - b. Do you think he could have forced his promised kingship (I Samuel 16:1) over all Israel?

 - c. What great virtue does this show he had learned during his exile?

15. God expects us to “learn” during our time spent in this world. We are prepared step by step, as was David. Study II Peter 1:4-8. Make a list of the things God teaches us in addition to patience (steadfastness, perseverance).

16. Who met at the pool of Gibeon?

17. What do you think were their intentions when they said, “let the men arise ‘and play’?”

18. Why did Abner plead with Asahel in verses 21-22?

19.
 - a. What was the loss to David's side?

 - b. What was the loss to Abner's side?

 - c. Do you see anything that indicates God's hand in the events of this section of Scripture? See also 3:1. Explain.