



# The Kings of Israel

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Lesson #17

# In our last study:

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War breaks out between Judah and Israel!

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Abner makes a covenant with David.

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Joab takes vengeance against Abner by murdering him!

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David mourns Abner.

# In this study:

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Saul's son, Ish-bosheth, is murdered!

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David is anointed King over all of Israel.

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David begins his reign over Israel.

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David battles the Philistines!

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murdered!

## 2 Samuel 4:1 (ESV)

*1 When Ish-bosheth, Saul's son, heard that Abner had died at Hebron, his courage failed, and all Israel was dismayed.)*

## 2 Samuel 4:2 (ESV)

*2 Now Saul's son had two men who were captains of raiding bands; the name of the one was **Baanah**, and the name of the other **Rechab**, sons of Rimmon a man of Benjamin from Beeroth (for Beeroth also is counted part of Benjamin;*

## 2 Samuel 4:5 – 8 (ESV)

*5 Now the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, Rechab and Baanah, set out, and about the heat of the day they came to the house of Ish-bosheth as he was taking his noonday rest. 6 **And they came into the midst of the house as if to get wheat, and they stabbed him in the stomach. Then Rechab and Baanah his brother escaped.** 7 When they came into the house, as he lay on his bed in his bedroom, **they struck him and put him to death and beheaded him.** They took his head and went by the way of the Arabah all night, 8 and **brought the head of Ish-bosheth to David at Hebron.** And they said to the king, “Here is the head of Ish-bosheth, the son of Saul, your enemy, who sought your life. The LORD has avenged my lord the king this day on Saul and on his offspring.”*

## 2 Samuel 4:11 – 12 (ESV)

*11 How much more, when wicked men have killed a righteous man in his own house on his bed, shall I not now require his blood at your hand and destroy you from the earth?” 12 And David commanded his young men, and they killed them and cut off their hands and feet and hanged them beside the pool at Hebron. But they took the head of Ish-bosheth and buried it in the tomb of Abner at Hebron.*

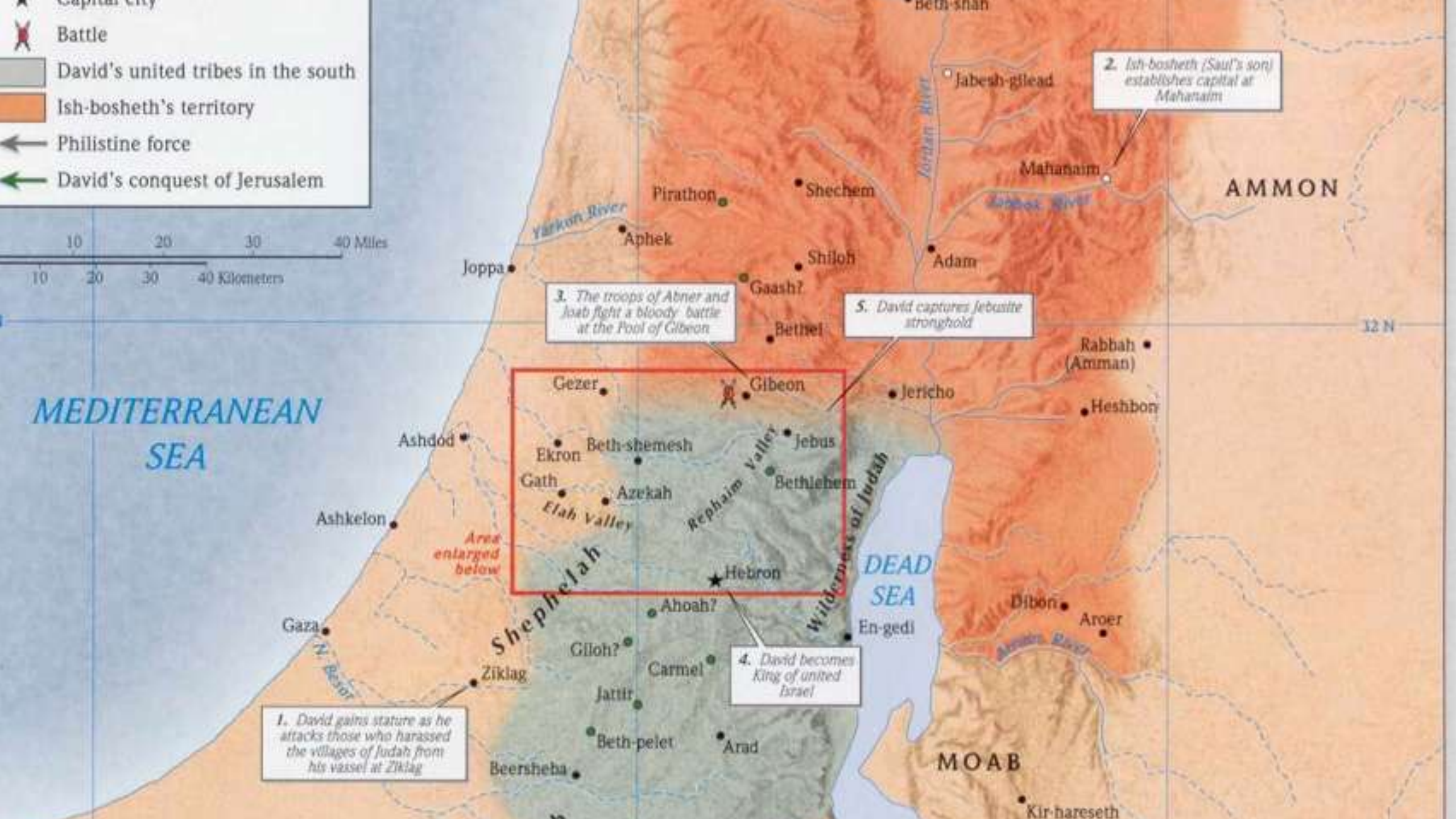
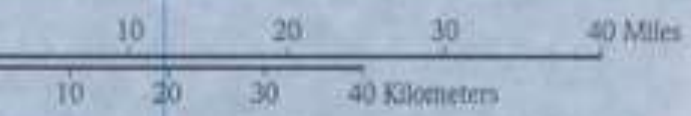


David is anointed King over all of  
Israel.

## 2 Samuel 5:1 – 3 (ESV)

*1 Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, “Behold, we are your bone and flesh. 2 In times past, when Saul was king over us, it was you who led out and brought in Israel. And the LORD said to you, You shall be shepherd of my people Israel, and you shall be prince over Israel.” 3 So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD, and they anointed David king over Israel.*

★ Capital city  
★ Battle  
 David's united tribes in the south  
 Ish-bosheth's territory  
← Philistine force  
← David's conquest of Jerusalem



1. David gains stature as he attacks those who harassed the villages of Judah from his vassel at Ziklag

3. The troops of Abner and Joab fight a bloody battle at the Pool of Gibeon

4. David becomes King of united Israel

5. David captures Jebusite stronghold

2. Ish-bosheth (Saul's son) establishes capital at Mahanaim

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## 2 Samuel 5:4 – 5 (ESV)

*4 David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years. 5 At Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months, and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah thirty-three years.*

2 Samuel 5:7 (ESV)

*7 Nevertheless, David took the stronghold of Zion, that is, the city of David.*

## 2 Samuel 5:9 – 10 (ESV)

*9 And David lived in the stronghold and called it the city of David. And David built the city all around from the Millo inward. 10 And David became greater and greater, for the LORD, the God of hosts, was with him.*

## 2 Samuel 5:11 – 12 (ESV)

*11 And Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and cedar trees, also carpenters and masons who built David a house. 12 And David knew that the LORD had established him king over Israel, and that he had exalted his kingdom for the sake of his people Israel.*

## 2 Samuel 5:13 – 16 (ESV)

*13 And David took more concubines and wives from Jerusalem, after he came from Hebron, and more sons and daughters were born to David. 14 And these are the names of those who were born to him in Jerusalem: Shammua, Shobab, Nathan, Solomon, 15 Ibhar, Elishua, Nepheg, Japhia, 16 Elishama, Eliada, and Eliphelet.*



David begins his reign  
over Israel.

David battles the Philistines!

## 2 Samuel 5:17 (ESV)

*17 When the Philistines heard that David had been anointed king over Israel, all the Philistines went up to search for David. But David heard of it and went down to the stronghold.*

## 2 Samuel 5:19 (ESV)

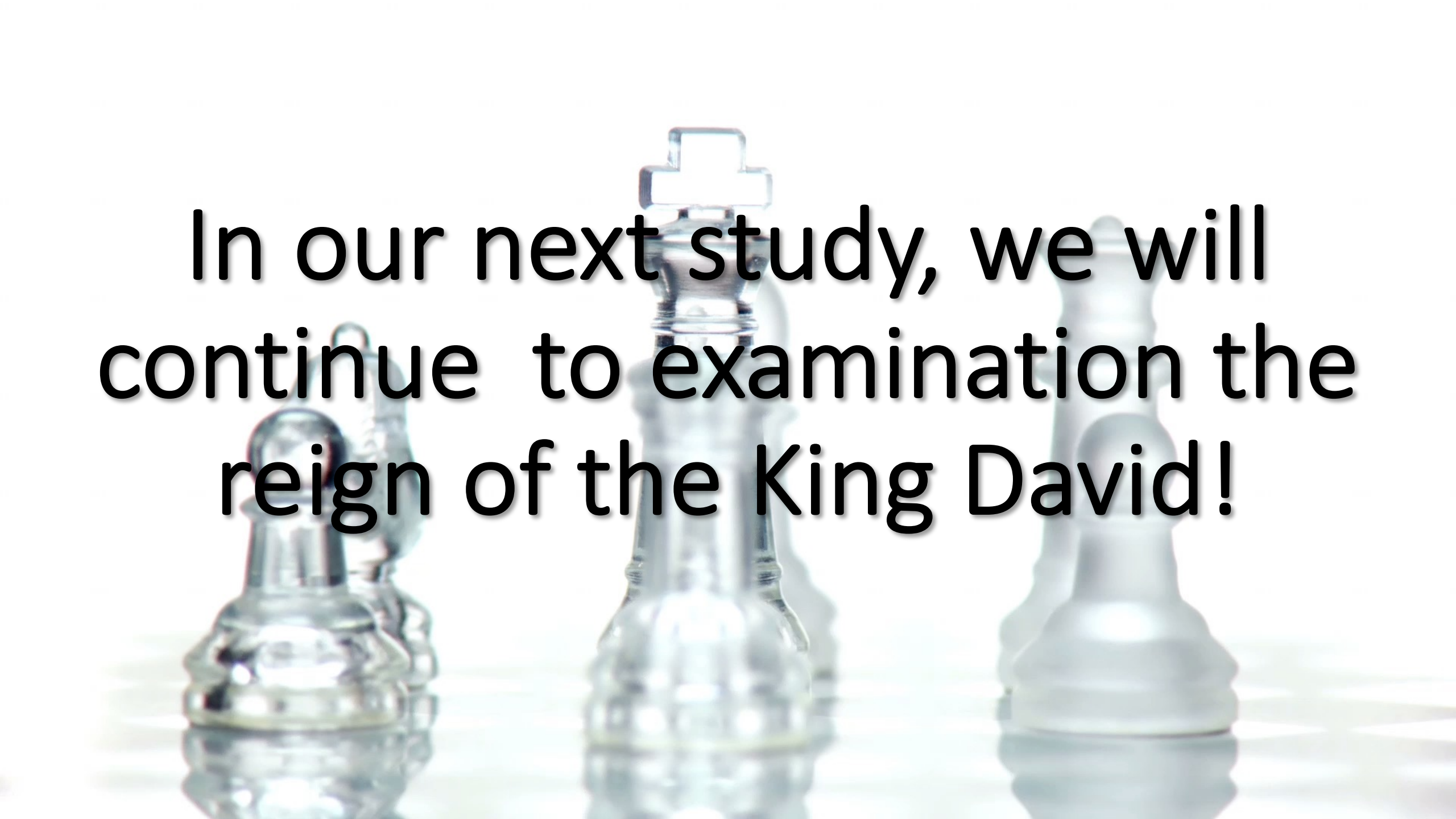
*19 And David inquired of the LORD, "Shall I go up against the Philistines? Will you give them into my hand?" And the LORD said to David, "Go up, for I will certainly give the Philistines into your hand."*

## 2 Samuel 5:22 – 23 (ESV)

*22 And the Philistines came up yet again and spread out in the Valley of Rephaim. 23 And when David inquired of the LORD, he said, “You shall not go up; go around to their rear, and come against them opposite the balsam trees.*

## 2 Samuel 5:25 (ESV)

*25 And David did as the LORD commanded him, and struck down the Philistines from Geba to Gezer.*



In our next study, we will  
continue to examination the  
reign of the King David!