**Saul, David, Solomon**

Week 1 –

Suggested Reading: 1 Samuel 8-10:1, 16-17, 31:1-13, 2 Samuel 2:1-11, 5:1-5

1. 1 Samuel 8 tells how Israel went from being ruled by judges - of whom Samuel was the last - to being ruled by kings. How did this come about? a) God initiated the change; b) Samuel anointed a king without God's instruction; c) the People of Israel demanded it of Samuel and God told him to go ahead

2. Samuel anointed Saul as the first king of Israel. Saul was from the tribe of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (1 Sam. 9:1-2, 10:20-21) He was from the town of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (1 Samuel 10:26)

3. When God rejected Saul as king because of his disobedience, he sent Samuel to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to anoint \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as the next king. (1 Samuel 16) He was from the tribe of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (1 Chronicles 28:4)

4. While Saul was king, David killed Goliath at a battle in \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (place). (1 Sam. 17:1-3)

5. What three places were associated with Saul in his death? (1 Sam. 31)

6. Where did David first serve as king? For how long? Over which tribes? (2 Sam. 2:1-11)

CHALLENGE QUESTIONS

What covenants or oaths did Jonathan and David make with each other? How did they view each other? (1 Sam. 18:1-4, 20, 23:15-18)

Using 1 Samuel 21-30, trace David's movements as he fled and hid from Saul. Try to identify some of them on a map.

2 Samuel 7 (and 1 Chronicles 17) records what is known as the Davidic Covenant. In the Davidic Covenant, what did God promise to David?

Week 2 -- Suggested Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-15, 1 Chronicles 13, 15-16:3, 28:1-29:9

1. After "all of the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron" to make him king over all Israel and Judah, David reigned in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ years. (2 Sam. 5:1-5)

2. When David took up residence as king in part of Jerusalem, he called it \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (2 Sam. 5:9)

3. Early in his reign, David brought the ark of the LORD up from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (1 Chronicles 13:1-6) to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (1 Chronicles 15:1-3, 29).

4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ wanted to build a Temple, a permanent dwelling place, for God, but God chose \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to build it. (1 Chron. 28:2-3, 6)

5. Who gave David the details for the plans for the Temple? (1 Chron. 28:12, 19)

5. David's son Solomon was born in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. His mother's name was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (1 Chron. 3:4-5)

CHALLENGE QUESTIONS

Note some of the places David subdued and find them on a map. Then, look for a map that marks for you the boundaries of the area he ruled. (2 Samuel 8, 10)

What did David do in the following passages that showed his love for the presence and worship of Yahweh? (1 Chronicles 13, 15-17, 21:25-22:19)

Solomon ruled, according to 2 Chronicles 9:26, "over all the kings from the River (the Euphrates) to the land of the Philistines, as far as the border of Egypt." Look on a map and find these boundaries.

**Tabernacle and Temple**

Week 3 -- Exodus 25-27, 30:1-21, 40:1-8, Joshua 3, 1 Samuel 1, 2 Chronicles 1:1-6

1. What was the purpose of the Tabernacle (and later the Temple)? (Exodus 25:8-9, 29:45-46, Revelation 21:1-3)

2. What are the six main furnishings of the Tabernacle (and later the Temple)? (Ex. 25:10-40, 27:1-8, 30:1-10, 17-21) Where was each of these to be placed in the Tabernacle? (Ex. 40:1-8)

3. What item from the Tabernacle went before the Israelites as they entered the Promised Land? (Joshua 3)

4. Where was the Tabernacle when Samuel served and lived at it? (1 Samuel 1) Where was it when David was king? (1 Chronicles 16:39)

5. Where was the Tabernacle ("Tent of Meeting"), the ark of the Covenant, and the bronze altar when Solomon became king? (2 Chron. 1:3-5)

CHALLENGE QUESTIONS

Using a map, chart the journey of the Ark of the Covenant in 1 Samuel 4-6. Why was it removed from the Tabernacle, and what prompted the rest of its travels?

What pictures of Christ do you see in the Tabernacle or its furnishings?

David purchased the place where God chose to place His Name and Temple (1 Chronicles 21), Mount Moriah in Jerusalem. The purchase of two other pieces of land are recorded for us. What were they, and who purchased them? (Genesis 23, 33:18-20)

Week 4 -- 2 Chronicles 3:1, 5:1-6:11, 36:15-19, Ezra 1, Revelation 15:5-8, 21:1-22:5

1. "Then \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ began to build the temple of the LORD in Jerusalem on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, where the LORD had appeared to his father David. It was on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ floor of Araunah the Jebusite, the place provided by (purchased by) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_." (2 Chron. 3:1)

2. What happened at the dedication of the Temple after Solomon prayed? (2 Chron. 7:1-2)

3. Who carried all the articles from the temple of God to Babylon and set fire to the temple? (2 Chron. 36:17-19) Why did God hand them over to him? (2 Chron. 36:15-16)

4. Following the exile of Judah to Babylon, who did God appoint to build a (new) temple for Him at Jerusalem? (Ezra 1:2-4) When did this happen? (Ezra 1:1)

5. What did Jesus say would happen to the Temple? (Matthew 24:1-2)

6. Compare 2 Chronicles 5:13-14 and Revelation 15:5-8. What do you notice?

CHALLENGE QUESTIONS

2 Chronicles 7:1-2 tells of the fire of God descending and consuming the burnt offering at the dedication of the Temple. What were the places and circumstances in the following passages where the fire of God fell? Exodus 40:34, 1 Chronicles 21:25-26

Glancing through the Gospels, what are some things that Jesus said or did at the Temple?

Memorize a verse or passage that you have read in this study, particularly about God's promises or about the place of His dwelling.