2 Samuel 4

A Righteous King over Israel

1. **4:1-4 – Saul's Feeble House**
    a. 1 – "*Saul's son*" - Without a name, he represents Saul, "*his hands were feeble*"
    b. 2-3 – His two captains were Beerothites – (see their history in Judges 9)
    c. 4 – Jonathan's son, Mephibosheth, was lame (where is the strength in this house?)
    d. (4) Saul's house is shown to be feeble, (5) David's house strong and established.
    e. The remnant of Saul's house is only going to survive in covenant with David.

2. **4:5-12 – Judgment Upon Corrupt Israel**
    a. 5-7 – The Beerothite sons betray Saul's son and kill him wickedly. (cf. 3:33-34)
    b. 8 - "*the LORD hath avenged*" – Blasphemy: attributing to the LORD what he did not.
    c. 9 - "*the LORD ... hath redeemed*" – David praises God and contradicts the men.
    d. 10 - "*give him a reward...*" -He slew an Amalekite for thinking Saul's death was good.
    e. 11 - "*how much more*" -Heb 10:28-31? David judges wicked Israel before his kingdom
    f. "*when wicked men have slain a righteous person*" - Foreshadow of fallen Israel & Christ.
    g. Hab 1:4 wicked compass righteous it is evil – 1Jn 3:12, Ps 22:12, 16, Jer 26:8, Rev 20:9
    h. David, the righteous judge, calls Ishbosheth righteous, at home, sleeping - innocent.
    i. 12 – David is an enemy to those who destroy the house of Saul – a friend of Israel.

3. **5:1-5 – David Anointed King of All Israel**
    a. 1 – "*all the tribes*" – 11 (Judah already made him king) – Gen 49:8-10, Rom 11:26-27
    b. "*we are thy bone and thy flesh*" - We are family, united, one people (fathers' promises)
    c. "*thou ...leddest*" - David led them under Saul was king (preserved us, fought for us)
    d. 2 - "*the LORD said to thee*" - He is anointed of God (He is Christ)
    e. "*Thou shalt feed my people*" – Ps 23:1, 78:70-72, Isa 40:11, John 10:11, 21:15-17, 1Pet 2:25
    f. 3 - "*Hebron*" means alliance, there a league made between Israel & David. 1Chr 11:3
    g. 1 Chr 12:23-40 Gives the names - "joy in Israel" Jer 23:5, Psa 110:3,118:22-26, Isa 12:3
    h. This great feast is described in many places – Isa 25:6-10, 62:4-5, Jer 31:10-14
    i. "*anointed David king*" – The 3rd anointing of David makes him king (like Jesus)
    j. 4-5 – It took 7yrs to make covenant with 'all Israel' (Daniel 9:24-27)