

1-2 SAMUEL: DAVID AS KING

Conflict Leads to Worship **2 Samuel 2-6**

1. Do you like to dance? How well do you dance? What is your goal when dancing: Have fun? Not hurt yourself? Not embarrass yourself? Not embarrass your family?
2. How do you think David felt when he was anointed king in Hebron? In Judah?
3. Does it surprise you that a civil war developed in Israel after the death of Saul? If Abner knew all along that God promised to make David king (2 Sam 3.9, 18) why does he oppose him?
4. What impact does David's sincerity have on both Judah and Israel (2 Sam 3.36-37)?
5. Do you think God was pleased with all of David's actions in this passage? Why?
6. Do you think God's killing of Uzzah was too harsh? Why? Do you think it creates confusion or frustration for some people?
7. How do you respond to the fact that God will not tolerate impurity? Do you think we see our sin too lightly? Why?
8. Is David's rejoicing at the return of the ark genuine or symbolic as an example to his people? Why?
9. In what ways does your attitude towards worship need to change? How does the gospel affect your view of worship?
10. How do these chapters help you understand God? How do they exalt Jesus?