

## READING THE BIBLE: With Tom Brewer

Fall Session, September 11 – December 11, 2017 (Mondays 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.)

### UNTIL KINGDOM COME: The House of David – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel

**Reader's Guide:** The date, theme and scripture references for each class session are provided to encourage you to do a careful pre-reading of the text before the class presentation. The Hebrew Scriptures' historical narratives concerning the "House of David" provide the "backstory" for messianic prophecy. Kingship for Israel, established by Samuel, set the stage for David's greatest son, Jesus, to proclaim the Kingdom of God.

<b>September 11</b>	<b>THEME: "A PROPHET'S CALL"</b>	<b>(1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 1 – 3)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mother's Prayer Answered</li><li>• Corrupted Priesthood</li><li>• Hearing God's Voice</li></ul>	1 Samuel 1:1-2:11 1 Samuel 2:12-36 1 Samuel 3:1-21
<b>September 18</b>	<b>THEME: "CLAMOR FOR A KING"</b>	<b>(1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 4 – 8)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tragedy of the Lost Ark</li><li>• The Ark Returns Itself</li><li>• Israel's Imitation "King"</li></ul>	1 Samuel 4 1 Samuel 5:1-7:1 1 Samuel 7:2-8:22
<b>September 25</b>	<b>THEME: "SEEKING ROYALTY"</b>	<b>(1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 9 – 13:15)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Finding "Tall Saul"</li><li>• Decapitate the "Snake"</li><li>• Impatient, Improvised Offerings</li></ul>	1 Samuel 9&10 1 Samuel 11 1 Samuel 12:1-13:15
<b>October 2</b>	<b>THEME: "ANTI-PHILISTINE CAMPAIGNS"</b>	<b>(1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 13:16 – 18:30)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Jonathan's Victories &amp; Vindication</li><li>• Anoint the Shepherd Warrior</li><li>• Saul's 1000's/David's 10,000's</li></ul>	1 <sup>st</sup> Samuel 13:16-14:52 1 <sup>st</sup> Samuel 15:1-16:13 1 <sup>st</sup> Samuel 16:14-18:30
<b>October 9</b>	<b>THEME: "THE FUGITIVE CHAMPION"</b>	<b>(1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 19 – 24)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Jealous Insanity</li><li>• Serial Escapes</li><li>• Saul Spared the "Unspeakable"</li></ul>	1 <sup>st</sup> Samuel 19-22:5 1 <sup>st</sup> Samuel 22:6-23:29 1 <sup>st</sup> Samuel 24:1-22
<b>October 16</b>	<b>THEME: "THE REFUGEE CHAMPION"</b>	<b>(1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 25 – 30)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• National Mourning</li><li>• Non-vindication Principle</li><li>• Desperation &amp; Terror</li></ul>	1 <sup>st</sup> Samuel (19:24) 25:1 1 <sup>st</sup> Samuel 25:2-27:12; 29 1 <sup>st</sup> Samuel 28
<b>October 23</b>	<b>THEME: "DEFEATED &amp; DECAPITATED"</b>	<b>(1<sup>ST</sup> Samuel 31:1 – 2 Samuel 2:7)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tragic Deaths &amp; Heroic Burials</li><li>• Casualty Report &amp; David's Lament</li><li>• David Anointed King in Hebron</li></ul>	1 <sup>st</sup> Samuel 31 2 <sup>nd</sup> Samuel 1:1-27 2 <sup>nd</sup> Samuel 2:1-7

<b>October 30</b>	<b>THEME: "HOUSE OF DAVID"</b>	<b>(2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 2:8 – 7)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Military Rivalries</li> <li>• United Tribes &amp; Ark Restored</li> <li>• Pasture to Palace</li> </ul>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 2:8-4:12</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 5 – 6</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 7</p>
<b>November 20</b>	<b>THEME: "VULNERABLE TO VICTORY"</b>	<b>(2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 8 – 12)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Victories &amp; Nobility</li> <li>• Border Security (no wall)</li> <li>• Omission &amp; Commission</li> </ul>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 8-9</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 10</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 11-12</p>
<b>November 27</b>	<b>THEME: "REAPING CONSEQUENCES"</b>	<b>(2<sup>nd</sup> 13 – 17)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Family Strife</li> <li>• Traitors &amp; Loyalists</li> <li>• Strategic Decisions</li> </ul>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 13-14</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 15-16</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 17</p>
<b>December 4</b>	<b>THEME: "MISFORTUNES OF WAR"</b>	<b>(2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 18 – 20)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rebel &amp; Retribution</li> <li>• Recovery &amp; Return</li> <li>• Mop-up Operations</li> </ul>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 18</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 19</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 20</p>
<b>December 11</b>	<b>THEME: "SPECIAL EVENTS" (Appendix)</b>	<b>(2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 21 – 25)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Famine &amp; Reparations</li> <li>• Victory Songs</li> <li>• Steep Price for Pride</li> </ul>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 21:1-14</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 21:15-23:7</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 23:8-24:25</p>

*"LORD Almighty, God of Israel, you have revealed this to your servant, saying, 'I will build a house for you.' So your servant has found courage to pray this prayer to you.*

*Sovereign LORD, you are God! Your covenant is trustworthy, and you have promised these good things to your servant.*

*Now be pleased to bless the house of your servant, that it may continue forever in your sight; for you, Sovereign LORD, have spoken, and with your blessing the house of your servant will be blessed forever."*

*2 Samuel 7:27-29 (NIV)*