

*1 Now after this it came about that David defeated the Philistines and subdued them; and David took control of the chief city from the hand of the Philistines. 2 And he defeated Moab, and measured them with the line, making them lie down on the ground; and he measured two lines to put to death and one full line to keep alive. And the Moabites became servants to David, bringing tribute.*

Philistines live in coastal are of Mediterranean in the South...a constant threat to Israel. Moab from incest of Lot and older daughter Gen 19:36.

One line, cord is height – young spared.....two lines, cords adults death.

*3 Then David defeated Hadadezer, the son of Rehob king of Zobah, as he went to restore his rule at the River. 4 And David captured from him 1,700 horsemen and 20,000 foot soldiers; and David hamstringed the chariot horses, but reserved enough of them for 100 chariots. 5 And when the Arameans of Damascus came to help Hadadezer, king of Zobah, David killed 22,000 Arameans. 6 Then David put garrisons among the Arameans of Damascus, and the Arameans became servants to David, bringing tribute. And the LORD helped David wherever he went. 7 And David took the shields of gold which were carried by the servants of Hadadezer, and brought them to Jerusalem. 8 And from Bethan and from Berothai, cities of Hadadezer, King David took a very large amount of bronze.*

Northern enemies 1Sam 30, Southern enemies already defeated.

Hadadezer Canaanite 'storm god is my help' ruled Aramean, Syrian kingdom of Zobah. Hamstrung – cutting hind sinews of legs which disables for war. Not mutilation.

Careful about reserves...Deut 17:16-not multiply horses, wives, gold....horses pull chariots symbol of national power, challenge to dependence on God's power. **Facilities**...

Damascus a strategic city located at the crossroads of two main roads leading East of Jordan river and South of Arabia.

Shields were trophies, decreative war memorials, insignias not to be used in battle but only for decoration—commemoration of victory won.

*9 Now when Toi king of Hamath heard that David had defeated all the army of Hadadezer, 10 Toi sent Joram his son to King David to greet him and bless him, because he had fought against Hadadezer and defeated him; for Hadadezer had been at war with Toi. And Joram brought with him articles of silver, of gold and of bronze. 11 King David also dedicated these to the LORD, with the silver and gold that he had dedicated from all the nations which he had subdued: 12 from Aram and Moab and the sons of Ammon and the Philistines and Amalek, and from the spoil of Hadadezer, son of Rehob, king of Zobah.*

Hamath a Syrian territory 100 miles North of Damascus – king Toi sends gifts to David by his son as a sign of peace, friendship and submission as a vassal state. Silver and gold stored and later used for Solomon is building the Temple 1Kings 7:51.

*13 So David made a name for himself when he returned from killing 18,000 Arameans in the Valley of Salt. 14 And he put garrisons in Edom. In all Edom he put garrisons, and all the Edomites became servants to David. And the LORD helped David wherever he went. 15 So David reigned over all Israel; and David administered justice and righteousness for all his people. 16 And Joab the son of Zeruiah was over the army, and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was recorder. 17 And Zadok the son of Ahitub and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar were priests, and Seraiah was secretary. 18 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and David's sons were chief ministers.*

Fulfillment of 7:9 reputation – ruled from Gulf of Aqaba and River of Egypt to Euphrates river...what God promised Abraham Gen 15:18 coming to pass. David to reign w/ justice and righteousness prophesied in truth and type of Jesus Christ. ***Ps 89:14 Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Thy throne; Lovingkindness and truth go before Thee.***

Joab was David's commander, climbed water tunnel 1Chron 11:6 was David's nephew, son of David's sister 1Chron 2:13-16 David told his son Solomon to have Joab put to death for past betrayals & shedding innocent blood he was guilty of 1Ki 2:29-34

Jehoshaphat recorded state affairs & related dealings who advised and brought state concerns to David.

17,18 Were officials from David to Solomon's rule. Zadok & Ahimelech faithful priests & spiritual leaders from David's reign. Seraiah David's secretary. Benaiah 'the Lord builds' commander, David's personal body guard. Later commander in reign of Solomon w/ task of putting to death Joab

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*1 Then David said, "Is there yet anyone left of the house of Saul, that I may show him kindness for Jonathan's sake?" 2 Now there was a servant of the house of Saul whose name was Ziba, and they called him to David; and the king said to him, "Are you Ziba?" And he said, "I am your servant." 3 And the king said, "Is there not yet anyone of the house of Saul to whom I may show the kindness of God?" And Ziba said to the king, "There is still a son of Jonathan who is crippled in both feet."*

David's covenant w/ Jonathan 1Sam 18:3,4; 20:14,42 'to show lovingkindness...to my house when Lord cuts off every one of David's enemies. The boy is crippled is 5 years old after report of Saul and Jon death. Nurse grabbed him and fled but dropped him, broke legs never healed properly 2Sam 4:4

*4 So the king said to him, "Where is he?" And Ziba said to the king, "Behold, he is in the house of Machir the son of Ammiel in Lo-debar." 5 Then King David sent and brought him from the house of Machir the son of Ammiel, from Lo-debar. 6 And Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan the son of Saul, came to David and fell on his face and prostrated himself. And David said, "Mephibosheth." And he said, "Here is your servant!" 7 And David said to him, "Do not fear, for I will surely show kindness to you for the sake of your father Jonathan, and will restore to you all the land of your grandfather Saul; and you shall eat at my table regularly."*

Machir wealth, position helped David in time of Absalom's rebellion w/ many supplies 2Sam 17:27-29. LoDebar 10 miles South of Sea of Galilee East of Jordan. Pagan nations new monarch arise, kill competition, any family member connected to previous ruler, so no threat to throne. Not so

w/ David. Mephibosheth very well may have thought the worst but discovered the best...restoration of substantial estate of grandfather Saul to him plus great honor and privilege to daily dine w/ King David at his table & daily needs provided. Ancient wellfar, SS, ira, retirement

***8 Again he prostrated himself and said, "What is your servant, that you should regard a dead dog like me?"***

Dogs unclean, scavengers, contemptible—a figure of speech for unworthiness a term of self loathing, deprecation not worthy to sit w/ David opposite of a son of royalty. David shows incredible kindness and grace to one whose name means 'man of shame'. David a type of Christ.

***9 Then the king called Saul's servant Ziba, and said to him, "All that belonged to Saul and to all his house I have given to your master's grandson. 10 "And you and your sons and your servants shall cultivate the land for him, and you shall bring in the produce so that your master's grandson may have food; nevertheless Mephibosheth your master's grandson shall eat at my table regularly." Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty servants. 11 Then Ziba said to the king, "According to all that my lord the king commands his servant so your servant will do." So Mephibosheth ate at David's table as one of the king's sons. 12 And Mephibosheth had a young son whose name was Mica. And all who lived in the house of Ziba were servants to Mephibosheth. 13 So Mephibosheth lived in Jerusalem, for he ate at the king's table regularly. Now he was lame in both feet.***

David insures Mephibosheth he is to be supplied abundantly....Ziba w/ 15 sons and 20 servants to work the land to supply all the needs of the household. Plus David gives Mephibosheth access to David's banquet table. David in essence adopted Mephibosheth into his family...David a type of Christ, we a type of Mephibosheth, sin shames us, lame to do anything about it, unworthy of Lord's table, w/o family or home yet God makes us joint heirs w/ Christ, stewards of His riches.