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# 2 Samuel 5:1-25

#### The Lord Was with Him

Are you with God no matter what?

Do people in your life see your faithfulness and submission to God?

Do people in your life see your love for God and your love to assist them when they are in need?

Are you faithful and consistent in your walk with Jesus and while you're ministering to others?

<u>Vs 1-5</u> The Israelites were God's people. God always blesses, forgives, and helps His people.

When we submit to God and follow Him, He will always welcome us and help us.

David was told long ago that he would be the king.

The people recognize that God's hand has been on David; they now commit to follow him.

David became the King of Israel when he was 30 years old.

Jesus began his ministry at age 30.

David ruled over all of Israel for 33 years in total.

Jesus died at age 33.

God was so kind to show us these numbers and to show us His clear plan.

David was a man after God's own heart. Jesus was the better King.

<u>Vs 6-10</u> David was blessed and successful, because God was with Him. When we put our faith in Christ and ask Him to take control of our lives, He helps us! This does not mean that life will be easy, but life with God is always better than life without God.

In what area of your life are you not submitting to God? With God's help, you can have victory in this area.

God can and does overcome strongholds in this world and in our lives.

<u>Do you pray for God to be with you? Do you ask God to give you favor in Christian ways and in Christian life?</u>

God always keeps His promises. God always had a plan to rescue, lead, and deliver His people.

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#### God often uses people to impact other people. Ask God to use you for His glory!

#### The enemies of God will always fall!

<u>Vs 11-16</u> When you are blessed by God in any way, give God the glory and the credit.

David did not take the glory for himself. David knew God was blessing him.

## In what areas of your life do you need to give God glory for the blessings He gives you?

<u>Vs 13-16</u> David was blessed by God. David was favored by God in his kingdom and victories. In David's success, he pursued women; this would be his downfall. His son Solomon would also struggle, and fall, because of his promiscuity.

In what area(s) of your life are you weak? Do you pray and ask God to protect and deliver you from that sin?

<u>Vs 17-21</u> God blessed and helped David, because David went to the Lord and inquired of Him. David sought God's leadership and direction in his life.

# <u>Do you seek the Lord's leadership and direction in your life? Do you submit to God? Do you obey God?</u>

David was victorious. David gave God credit. When we seek the Lord and listen to Him, He helps us to be victorious. Where do you need to seek the Lord? Where do you need to ask Him for strength?

God brought His people to victory and God's enemies left their false gods.

Do you have any false gods in your life? Will you set them down for the Lord and worship only Him?

<u>Vs 22-25</u> There are times when we seek God that He will give us specific direction. When we get this direction, <u>we must obey.</u> God will help us and give us victory.

We need to seek God in everything. Follow God's commands for victory.

The first, and most important, way to seek the Lord is to trust in Jesus as your Savior. Ask Jesus to take control of your life forever. Ask Jesus to take control of your life now!

We can have a close relationship with God through faith in Jesus. He will lead us in our everyday lives, if we seek Him.

We will always be victorious if we follow King Jesus.

We must ask Jesus to take control of our lives. When we fail, we must repent and turn back to Him. We must inquire of Him for His leadership. God will lead us and help us when we seek Him.