

Two Kings in Their Distress

17 Lessons on Leadership

1 Samuel 30-31



I. On the Brink of Death

Leadership Lesson #1 - Sometimes, leadership begins by cleaning up the mess that somebody else left 40 years ago

Leadership Lesson #2 - In any group or organization, the person who ultimately carries the blame and weight of problems is the leader

Leadership Lesson #3 - A godly leader finds strength in God. He/she desires the glory of God above all things. He holds success and reputation with an open hand

Leadership Lesson #4 - A godly leader relies on the Word of God for guidance



II. How God's Promise to David Unfolds

Leadership Lesson #5 - A godly leader does not allow his problems to impede him from showing kindness

Leadership Lesson #6 - A godly leader does not use his problems as an excuse to disobey God

Leadership Lesson #7 - A godly leader is a peacemaker

Leadership Lesson #8 - A godly leader is humble. He does not exalt himself above his people

Leadership Lesson #9 - A godly leader gives the credit to God



II. How God's Promise to David Unfolds

Leadership Lesson #10 - A godly leader shows compassion to the weak

Leadership Lesson #11 - A godly leader will call out, correct, and instruct against sin and towards righteousness

Leadership Lesson #12 - A godly leader is unashamedly bold when it comes to the truth and the honor of God

Leadership Lesson #13 - A godly leader is a giver, not a taker

Leadership Lesson #14 - A godly leader is “wise as serpents and innocent as doves” (Matt 10:16)



III. How God's Promise to Saul Unfolds

Leadership Lesson #15 - Every leader will leave a legacy

Leadership Lesson #16 - Godly leaders bring the best out of their people, while bad leaders bring the worst out of them

Leadership Lesson #17 - God is sovereign over every ruler in this world; He can exalt the nobodies and shatter the monarchs; He will bring judgement upon wicked leaders and blessing upon righteous ones; and, just as He sent David to rule over Israel, He will soon send His Son to rule over the world.