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SSE Classmates,

Let's keep up the good work! Excellent!

Thank you for muting your phones. We, the listening congregation really appreciated it. During last Sunday's Sunday School Class, it was absolutely quiet on the conference Call. We thank the Lord for the blessing of Sunday School Extended (SSE)! We enjoy listening to Rev Woolfolk as he teaches the lesson. Please continue to ensure the mute is activated on your phone. As a reminder to those who use home phones/landlines, *6 will activate your mute function. Thank you for your participation and continued activation of the mute feature.

23 August 2020

David's Grief for Saul and Jonathan ¹

Lesson Text: **2nd Samuel** 1:11-12, 17-27

Related Scriptures: **2nd Samuel** 1:1-10; **Proverbs** 24:17-20;
Jeremiah 9:17-24; **1st Samuel** 20:16-42

TIME: 1021 B.C.

PLACE: Gibeah

GOLDEN TEXT: *"The beauty of Israel is slain upon thy high places: how are the mighty fallen!"* (**2nd Samuel 1:19, KJV**)

Scripture Lesson Text

2nd Samuel 1:11 & 12, 17-27

11 Therefore David took hold of his own clothes and tore them, and so did all the men who were with him.

12 And they mourned and wept and fasted until evening for Saul and for Jonathan his son, for the people of the Lord and for the house of Israel, because they had fallen by the sword.

17 And David lamented with this lamentation over Saul and over Jonathan his son:

¹ Union Gospel Press, Adult Bible Teacher, Summer Quarter, June, July, August 2020; David's Grief for Saul and Jonathan, 16 August 2020, page 71

18 (Also he bade them teach the children of Judah the use of the bow: behold, it is written in the book of Jasher.)

19 The beauty of Israel is slain upon thy high places: how are the mighty fallen!

20 Tell it not in Gath, publish it not in the streets of Askelon; lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice, lest the daughters of the uncircumcised triumph.

21 Ye mountains of Gilboa, let there be no dew, neither let there be rain, upon you, nor fields of offerings: for there the shield of the mighty is vilely cast away, the shield of Saul, as though he had not been anointed with oil.

22 From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, the bow of Jonathan turned not back, and the sword of Saul returned not empty.

23 Saul and Jonathan were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in their death they were not divided: they were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions.

24 Ye daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you in scarlet, with other delights, who put on ornaments of gold upon your apparel.

25 How are the mighty fallen in the midst of the battle! O Jonathan, thou wast slain in thine high places.

26 I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan: very pleasant hast thou been unto me: thy love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women.

27 How are the mighty fallen, and the weapons of war perished!

Lesson Aim

Facts: To learn that God calls us to love our enemies and learn not to rejoice when bad things happen to them.

Principle: To recognize that the only way to truly love our enemies is to see them as Christ sees them.

Application: To Ask the Lord to help us see our enemies through His eyes and to be able to love them as He does.

Introduction

The book of 1st Samuel closes with Israel in yet another battle with the Philistines. This particular battle ends in great tragedy for Israel, as both Saul and Jonathan are killed. In one day, Israel lost both her King and one her greatest warriors. David especially took this news hard as he lost his closest friend as well as his king.

- I. Developing the Lesson**
 - a. David grieves over the deaths of Saul and Jonathan (2nd Samuel 1:11-12)
 - b. David's song for Saul and Jonathan (2nd Samuel 1:17-27)

- II. Studying the Text**
 - a. Mourning the House of Saul (2nd Samuel 1:11-12)
 - b. Lamentation for the Fallen (2nd Samuel 1:17-18)
 - c. Deep Sorrow Expressed (2nd Samuel 1:19-21)
 - i. For Israel (2nd Samuel 1:19-21)
 - ii. For Israel's warriors (2nd Samuel 1:22-23)
 - iii. For Israel's king (2nd Samuel 1:24)
 - iv. For David's friend (2nd Samuel 1:25-27)

- III. Take Aways**

- IV. Closing Prayer**

Daily Bible Readings for Home Study and Worship

For: 30 August 2020

David-King Over All Israel

Monday-Conflict with the house of Saul (2nd Samuel 2:1-32)

Tuesday- Conflict with Betrayal (2nd Samuel 3:1-39)

Wednesday- No Reward for Cowardly Murder (2d Samuel 4:1-12)

Thursday- The Scepter Belongs to Judah (Genesis 49:8-12)

Friday-My Servant David Will Shepard (Ezekiel 34:20-24)

Saturday- They Will Have One Shepherd (Ezekiel 37:24-28)

Sunday- David Acclaimed King by All (2nd Samuel 5:1-10)