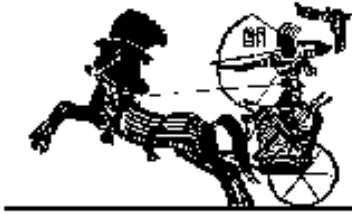


THE MAJESTY OF THE MONARCHY
Studies in II Samuel
Lesson 10



FACING GIANTS AND FEARING GOD
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1. David reproduced a generation of giant killers

2. David reproduced a generation of great leaders

- a. A standing army of 288,000
- b. Each month a fresh corps of 24,000, I Chron. 27:1
- c. Personal bodyguards -- the Cherithites and Pelethites (Mercenaries), 8:18
- d. Special force -- (Cp. I Sam. 22:2) -- 400 dispossessed, disgruntled, distressed -- 600 in I Sam. 27:2)
- e. "Mighty Men" -- the 30 -- maybe leaders of 20 men each from the 600 -- replaced when died = more than 30 in 23:13
- f. "The 3" -- Jashobeam (Adino); Elieazar; Shammah
 - 1) Jashobeam killed 800 in one battle
 - 2) Water from Bethlehem while in cave of Adullam, 23:14-17
 - 3) Abishai -- family heritage of bravery, 23:20
 - ✓ Egyptian 7 1/2 feet tall I Chron., 11:23
 - ✓ Killed a lion with snow on ground
 - ✓ Head of David's personal bodyguard, 2 Sam 8:18 -- captain over all under Solomon, I Ki. 2:35

3. David reproduced a generation of great character

- a. Teachable (Started as rebels)
- b. Courageous
- c. Dedicated, I Chron. 11:10
- d. Dependable
 - 1) In spite of overwhelming odds, 23:8,9,11,18,20,21
 - 2) In spite of discomfort, 23:, 9-10
 - 3) In spite of desertion, 23:11-12