**The Remainder of King David’s Reign, Part 1**

**(II Sam. 21-24)**

A. Jehovah’s Anger on Israel (21:1-14)

B. David’s Mighty Men (21:15-22)

C. The Sweet Psalmist’s Song (22:1-51)

C.’ The Sweet Psalmist’s Words (23:1-7)

B.’ David’s Mighty Men (23:8-39)

A.’ Jehovah’s Anger on Israel (24:1-25) > Ps. 119:176

**Jehovah’s Anger on Israel (21:1-14)**

**PREMISE: The record of I and II Samuel deals with Prelude (I Sam. 1-7), Advent (I Sam. 8-15), Establishment (I Sam. 16-31), Consolidation (II Sam. 1-20), and Epilogue (II Sam. 21-24) of David’s Monarchy. The obvious poetic chiastic structure to the post-script of the sweet psalmist of Israel honors the writer of the Psalter!**

**A. The Land is Devastated (v. 1a)**

 1. The **Retribution** > Nature: Famine > Gen. 12:10; 26:1

 2. The **Realization** > Number: Three Years

**B. The Reason (vv. 1b-6)**

1. The **Ruthlessness** of Saul (vv. 1b-5) > (Gibeonites [Josh. 9:15 ff.; > Num. 35:33; Dt. 19:10]).

2. The **Remedy** on Saul (v. 6)

 a. The Request to Hang Seven Sons (6a)

 b. The Resolve to Hang Seven Sons (6b)

**C. Mephibosheth II is Spared (v. 7)** > I Sam. 20:15-17; 42

 1. The **Result** (v. 7a)

 2. The **Relationship** (v. 7b)

**B.’ The Recourse (vv. 8-14a)**

1. The **Readiness** of David (vv. 8-9) > Mephibosheth I and 6 other sons/grandsons of Saul hanged.

 2. The **Respect** of Rizpah (v. 10) > Saul’s concubine

 a. The Security of the Sons (v. 10a) > proper burial > Gospel!

 b. The Satisfaction of the Saviour (v. 10b) > Lord satisfied with deaths and ended drought

 3. The **Retrieval** by David (vv. 11-14a)

 a. The Conviction on David (v. 11)

 b. The Collection by David (vv. 12-14a) > I Sam. 31:12-13

**A.’ The Land is Delivered (v. 14b) >** *“God was intreated for the land”* cf. with *“LORD was intreated for the land”* (II Sam. 24:25).

**CONCLUSION: the Good Shepherd blessed His Promised Land and His Anointed King (Dt. 28:2; Ps. 23:6; Jam. 4:6). Death propitiated Divine wrath > (I Jn. 2:2; 4:10).**