

¹ The time came near for David to die. So he gave orders to his son Solomon.

² He said, "I'm about to die, just as everyone else on earth does. So be strong. Show how brave you are. ³ Do everything the LORD your God requires. Live the way he wants you to. Obey his orders and commands. Keep his laws and rules. Do everything written in the Law of Moses. Then you will have success in everything you do. You will succeed everywhere you go. ⁴ The LORD will keep the promise he made to me. He said, 'Your sons must be careful about how they live. They must be faithful to me with all their heart and soul. Then you will always have a son from your family line to sit on the throne of Israel.'

⁵ "You yourself know what Joab, the son of Zeruiah, did to me. You know that he killed Abner, the son of Ner, and Amasa, the son of Jether. They were the two commanders of Israel's armies. He killed them in a time of peace. It wasn't a time of war. Joab spilled the blood of Abner and Amasa. With that blood he stained the belt around his waist. He also stained the sandals on his feet. ⁶ You are wise. So I leave him in your hands. Just don't let him live to become an old man. Don't let him die peacefully.

⁷ "But be kind to the sons of Barzillai from Gilead. Provide what they need. They were faithful to me when I had to run away from your brother Absalom.

⁸ "Don't forget that Shimei, the son of Gera, is still around. He's from Bahurim in the territory of Benjamin. Shimei cursed me bitterly. He did it on the day I went to Mahanaim. Later, he came down to welcome me at the Jordan River. At that time I made a promise in the name of the LORD. I promised Shimei, 'I won't put you to death with my sword.' ⁹ But now I want you to think of him as guilty. You are wise. You will know what to do to him. Don't let him live to become an old man. Put him to death."

¹⁰ David joined the members of his family who had already died. He was buried in the city of David. ¹¹ He had ruled over Israel for 40 years. He ruled for seven years in Hebron. Then he ruled for 33 years in Jerusalem. ¹² So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David. His position as king was made secure.

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Lessons from the Life of David

Pastor Nate Keeler

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