



2 Samuel 8-10  
God's victories  
through King David

- Give us a King!

# 2 Samuel 8

## WHEN

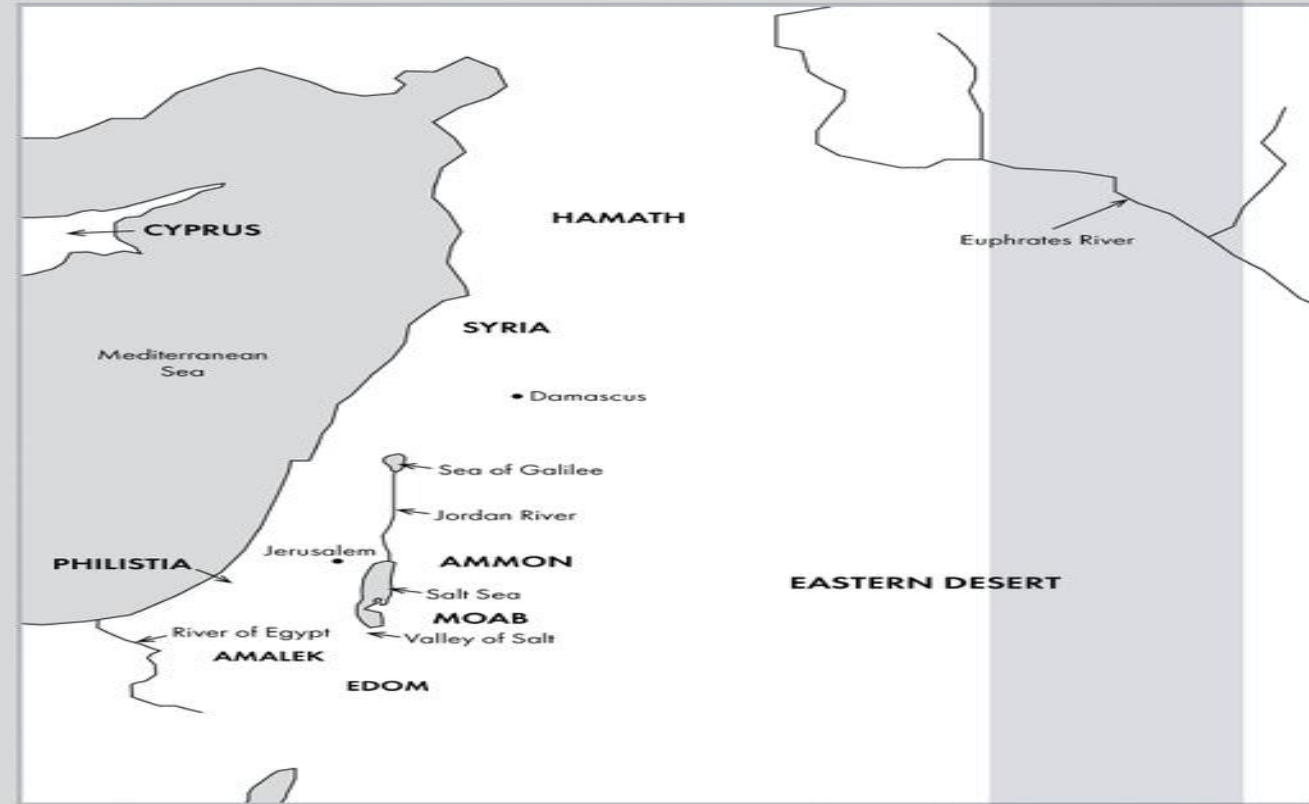
- Saul died in approximately 1055 B.C., after reigning over Israel for 40 years.
- David became king over Judah the same year. He reigned over Judah for 7 years and 6 months, before becoming king over all Israel. His reign over all Judah and Israel lasted 33 years.

## WHERE

- David's capital was in Jerusalem.
- David fought with the Philistines and Moabites (see Philistia and Moab on the map).
- The Euphrates River is mentioned in verse 2 Samuel 8:3. The river lies hundreds of miles north of Jerusalem.
- David fought with Hadadezer of Zobab. Most historians believe Zobab was in the region of Syria.
- David also fought with the Syrians of Damascus.
- Other locations highlighted in this chapter include: Hamath, Edom, Ammon, Amalek, and the Valley of Salt.

## CHARACTERS

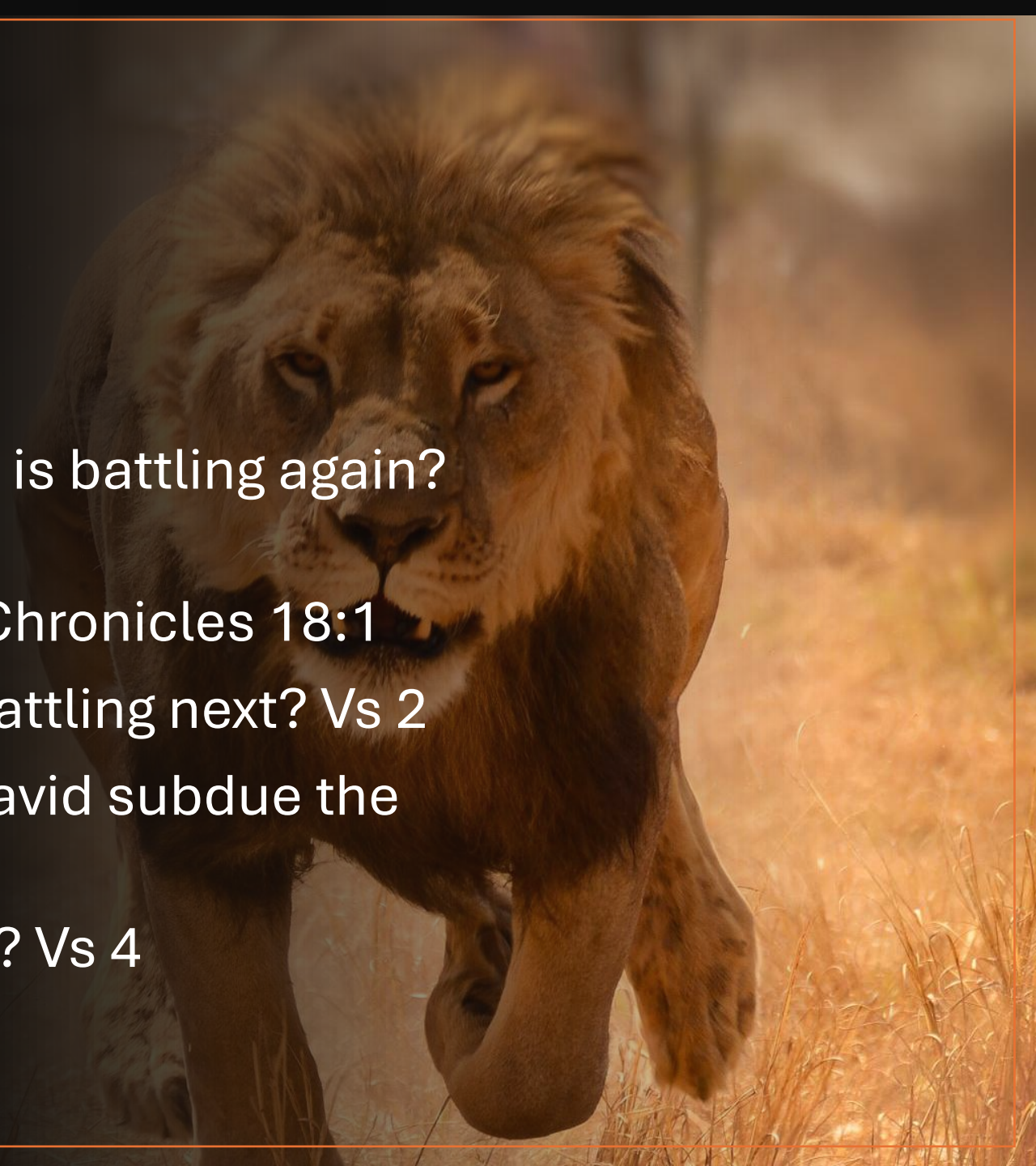
- **David** – David was the 2nd king over all Israel and Judah.
- **Hadadezer** – The son of Rehob, the king of Zobah, an enemy of Israel.
- **Toi** – The king of Hamath. His country cultivated a friendship with David because they were mutual enemies of Hadadezer.
- **Joram** – The son of Toi.






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- 1. As we start the chapter, who is battling again?  
Vs 1
- 2. What is Metheg Ammah? 1 Chronicles 18:1
- 3. Who do we see King David battling next? Vs 2
- 4. What unique way did King David subdue the Moabites? Vs 2
- 5. Who does David defeat next? Vs 4



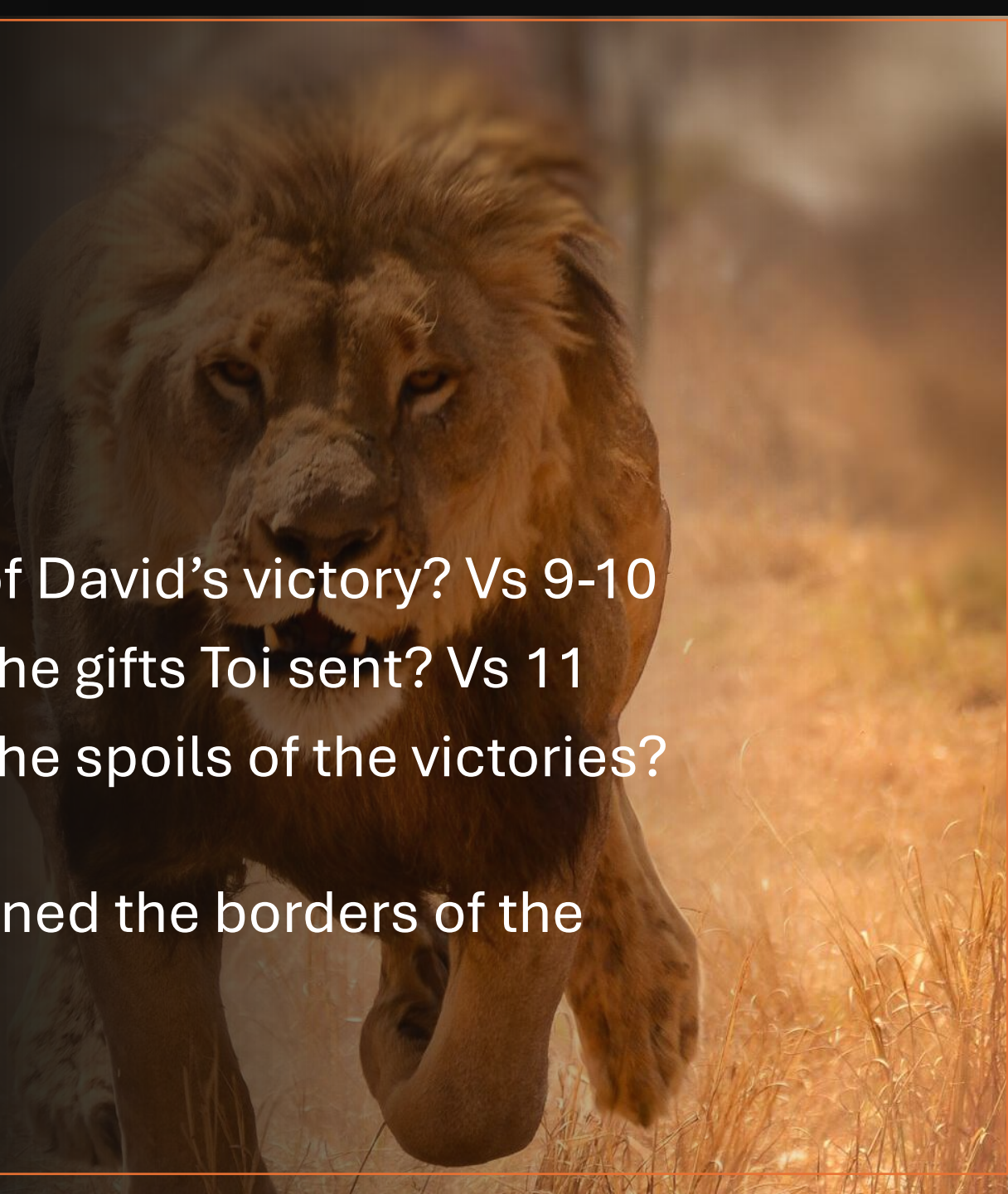
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6. What were the spoils taken from this victory? Vs 4
  7. Who came to help Zobah? Vs 5
  8. How many Syrians did David's army kill? Vs 5
  9. What did King David do to keep the Syrians under control? Vs 6
  10. What precious metals came from the victory? Vs 7-8
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- A lion walking towards the camera in a savanna setting. The lion has a thick, golden-brown mane and is looking directly at the viewer. The background is a blurred landscape of dry grass and trees under a warm, golden light, suggesting a sunset or sunrise.



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- 11. Who do we meet next? Vs 9
- 12. What did Toi do when he heard of David's victory? Vs 9-10
- 13. What did King David do with all the gifts Toi sent? Vs 11
- 14. What did King David do with all the spoils of the victories?  
Vs 11
- 15. As King David 's success broadened the borders of the kingdom , what did he do? Vs 15-18





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- 16. We shift a bit in chapter 9 , what question weighs on King David's heart? Vs 1
- 17 . How does King David obtain an answer? vs 2
- 18. What does David find out? vs 3
- 19. What is noted about Mephibosheth? Vs 3 How did this happen? 2 Samuel 4:4
- 20. How does Mephibosheth act when he is brought into King David's presence? Vs 6 What thoughts might be going through Mephibosheth's mind?





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- 21. What does King David tell him? Vs 7
- 22. What does verse 8 say about Mephibosheth's gratitude?
- 23. What does King David tell Ziba? Vs 9-10
- 24. How is Mephibosheth rewarded? Vs 11
- 25. What oath is David fulfilling? 1 Samuel 20:12-15



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- 26. Where does Mephibosheth live and where does he eat regularly? Vs 13
- 27. What does King David do when he hears that King Nahash has died? Why did he do this? Vs 2
- 28. What happened to those King David sent? Vs 4
- 29. What was King David's reaction? Vs 5
- 30. What did the Ammonites do when they heard how upset David was? Vs 6



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- 31. What was the battle plan Joab and Abishai devised?
  - 32. What was the result of the battle? Vs 13-14
  - 33. What desperate act did Hadadezer do next? Vs 16
  - 34. How did the battle turn out? vs 17-19
- 2 Samuel 7:9 “ And I have been with you wherever you have gone, and have cut off your enemies from before you, and have made you a great name, like a name of the great men on the earth.”

"David's Mighty Men"  
By James Tissot (1836-1902)