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## 2Samuel: Let's Talk

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This Grace@Home Let's Talk Guide provides discussion questions and activities that you may use to facilitate conversations about God and His Word in your home. The focus is on those chapters that are most likely to promote meaningful conversations for all ages of family members.

### 2Samuel 2

Draw a picture of this event, and give the characters speech bubbles with quotes from the passage.

Questions:

1. How did David decide what to do and where to go? Do you ever ask God these questions?
2. How did David honor the bravery of the men of Jabesh Gilead?
3. What area was David king over initially and for how long?
4. Do you think David expected to be king over all Judah and Israel based on the prophesy at his anointing? Do you think David planned to fight Israel or wait for God to deliver them like he delivered Saul?

### 2Samuel 6

Write another detail about Michal from your May 10th drawing. Play this video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WLILRkP-Ryo>

(or your favorite praise song) and everyone do your most joyful, crazy dance for the Lord!

Questions:

1. What was wrong with the way the Ark was transported in the first part of the chapter? (Exodus 25:14)
2. Why was it wrong for Uzzah to touch the Ark, if he was trying to be helpful? Can you think of things that are wrong to do, no matter your good intentions?
3. What was different about the way David brought the Ark toward Jerusalem the second time?
4. David was not afraid of letting everyone know how much he loved God even though his own wife criticized him. Why do you think he was like that? What are some of the things that make us embarrassed to be as bold as David? What would David say to that?

## 2Samuel 9

Write or act out a journal entry as if you were Mephibosheth. What an exciting day he had!

Questions:

1. What did David do for Mephibosheth?
2. Why was David nice to him? (Remember 1Samuel 20:42)
3. What do you think Mephibosheth was thinking during this chapter? (Note: if David hadn't become king, Mephibosheth was in line to be king, but when a king is crowned from a different family it is not uncommon to kill all the male relatives of the original king to prevent a rebellion.)
4. What does this chapter teach you about David's character? How could you show this same character in your life?

## 2Samuel 12

Nathan used an illustration that would speak to David's shepherd heart to convict David of his sin. What kind of illustration could Nathan have told David if they lived in 2013?

Questions

1. Who does the little ewe represent in this story? Who does the rich landowner represent?
2. What do you think Nathan was thinking as he was on his way to deliver this message to the king?
3. What did David do after he acknowledged his sin?
4. Even though David sinned, what does this chapter tell you about his character? What can you learn from David regarding the way he repented from his sin?

## 2Samuel 15

Absalom greeted the people in a way out of the ordinary for a king's son. Have each family member come up with a silly greeting or crazy handshake. What could be your unique family greeting?

Questions:

1. Who is Absalom? What bad choices did he make?
2. What was David forced to do? How did David ask Hushai to help him?
3. What feelings do you think went through David's mind in this chapter? Would you have done anything differently?
4. If you had to be Hushai or David who would you be? Why?

## 2Samuel 22

Decorate a rock with your favorite verses from 2Samuel 22. Remember God is your Rock.

Questions:

1. What are some of the ways David describes God in this song?
2. What do you think David's mood was when he wrote this song? How can you tell?
3. Is your view of God as powerful as David's? Why do you think David had such a super-hero view of God?
4. How can God both have a voice that thunders (verse 14) and is gentle (verse 36)? Have you seen evidence of either of these traits in your experience with God? Explain.