II SAMUEL 8; April 23; David's Extensive Kingdom

ANALYSIS: 1. How many nations did David subdue that are named in this chapter? Number Names
2. David's kingdom reached to what river far east of the land of Canaan?
3. What did David do with all the brass, silver and gold he took from the nations he subdued?
4. David "gat him a name" for what special battle?
5. What good did David perform unto all his people?

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

"And the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went" (vs 6b, 14b). David was a man of many battles and very much warfare. He survived because the LORD kept him safe and alive. "The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them" (Ps 34:7). "A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee" Ps 91:7). Let us be conscious and thankful for our LORD'S watchcare from day to day. We are so blessed!

We need regular reminding of the command to pray for all in our government, from the president down to the local sheriff's deputies. "I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; for kings, and for all in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty" (I Tim 2:1-2).

HELP:

- 1. Number 7; Names: Syria, Moab, Ammon, Philistines, Amalek, Zobak, Edom (vs 12, 14)
- 2. Euphrates River (v 3).
- 3. David dedicated it all to the LORD (v 11).
- 4. Smitting 18,000 Syrians in the valley of salt (v 13).
- 5. David executed judgment and justice unto all his people (v 15).