

To Hebron

2 Samuel 2:1-4

Read 2 Samuel 2:1-4a

—**Sandra McCracken**, "We will feast in the house of Zion We will sing with our hearts restored He has done great things, we will say together We will feast and weep no more"

Main Idea:
God Will Bring Us Home

1.) David, King Without a Kingdom

v. 1a, "It happened after this that David inquired of the Lord, saying, "Shall I go up to any of the cities of Judah?"

1 Samuel 13:13-14, "And Samuel said to Saul, 'You have done foolishly. You have not kept the commandment of the Lord your God, which He commanded you. For now the Lord would have established your kingdom over Israel forever. 14 But now your kingdom shall not continue. The Lord has sought for Himself a man after His own heart, and the Lord has commanded him to be commander over His people, because you have not kept what the Lord commanded you.'"

1 Samuel 15:28, "The Lord has torn the kingdom of Israel from you today, and has given it to a neighbor of yours, who is better than you"

1 Samuel 26:19, "for they have driven me out this day from sharing in the inheritance of the Lord, saying, 'Go, serve other gods.'"

2.) The Return of the King

1 Samuel 22:2,5, "2 And everyone who was in distress, everyone who was in debt, and everyone who was discontented gathered to him. So he became captain over them. And there were about four hundred men with him...5 Now the prophet Gad said to David, "Do not stay in the stronghold; depart, and go to the land of Judah...So David departed and went into the forest of Hereth."

3.) The Biblical History of Hebron

Genesis 13:18, "Then Abram moved his tent, and went and dwelt by the terebinth trees of Mamre, which are in Hebron, and built an altar there to the Lord"

Genesis 35:27, "Then Jacob came to his father Isaac at Mamre, or Kirjath Arba (that is, Hebron), where Abraham and Isaac had dwelt"

4.) A Motif of Exile and Return

Joshua 14:15, "...Then the land had rest from war."

Three Lessons:

1.) We Are Not Home

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