**2 Samuel 8** (https://www.esv.org/2+Samuel+8/)

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**David's Victories**

8 After this

David defeated the Philistines

and

subdued them,

and

David took Metheg-ammah out of the hand of the Philistines.

2 And

he defeated Moab

and

he measured them with a line,

making them lie down on the ground.

Two lines he measured

to be put to death,

and

one full line to be spared.

(NIV: He made them lie down on the ground and measured them off with a length of cord. Every two lengths of them were put to death, and the third length was allowed to live.

KJV: He measured them with a line, casting them down to the ground; even with two lines measured he to put to death, and with one full line to keep alive.

中文和合本: 使他們躺臥在地上，用繩量一量：量二繩的殺了，量一繩的存留。

Direct translation from Hebrew Bible: 使他們躺臥在地上，用繩子量：二繩長的(都)殺了，(留下)滿一繩的讓(他們)存活。(https://bkbible.fhl.net/NUI/#/bible/2Sa/8/2))

And

the Moabites became servants to David

and

brought tribute.

3 David also defeated Hadadezer the son of Rehob,

king of Zobah,

as he went to restore his power at the river Euphrates.

4 And

David took from him 1,700 horsemen,

and

20,000 foot soldiers.

And

David hamstrung all the chariot horses

but

left enough for 100 chariots.

5 And

when the Syrians of Damascus came to help Hadadezer king of Zobah,

David struck down 22,000 men of the Syrians.

6 Then David put garrisons in Aram of Damascus,

and

the Syrians became servants to David

and

brought tribute.

And

the Lord gave victory to David

wherever he went.

7 And

David took the shields of gold

that were carried by the servants of Hadadezer

and

brought them to Jerusalem.

8 And from Betah

and

from Berothai,

cities of Hadadezer,

King David took very much bronze.

9 When Toi king of Hamath heard

that David had defeated the whole army of Hadadezer,

10 Toi sent his son Joram to King David,

to ask about his health

and

to bless him

because he had fought against Hadadezer

and

defeated him,

for Hadadezer had often been at war with Toi.

And

Joram brought with him articles of silver,

of gold,

and

of bronze.

11 These also King David dedicated to the Lord,

together with the silver

and

gold

that he dedicated from all the nations

he subdued,

12 from Edom,

Moab,

the Ammonites,

the Philistines,

Amalek,

and

from the spoil of Hadadezer the son of Rehob,

king of Zobah.

13 And

David made a name for himself

when he returned from striking down 18,000 Edomites in the Valley of Salt.

14 Then he put garrisons in Edom;

throughout all Edom

he put garrisons,

and

all the Edomites became David's servants.

And

the Lord gave victory to David

wherever he went.

**David's Officials**

15 So David reigned over all Israel.

And

David administered justice

and

equity to all his people.

16 Joab the son of Zeruiah was over the army,

and

Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was recorder,

17 and

Zadok the son of Ahitub

and

Ahimelech the son of Abiathar were priests,

and

Seraiah was secretary,

18 and

Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over the Cherethites

and

the Pelethites,

and

David's sons were priests.