## Historical Background and Introduction Acts 13:13-42; Ruth 4:18-22; 1 Samuel 13:13-15; 2 Samuel

# I. On his first missionary journey, Paul highlighted David's ministry in his Gospel presentation in Jewish synagogue setting. (Acts 13:13-42)

- **13:17** Israel's Slavery in Egypt and Exodus
- **13:18** Israel's 40-Year Wandering in the Wilderness
- 13:19 The Promised Land Divided among the 12 Tribes of Israel (Deuteronomy 7:1ff)
- **13:20** The Period of the Judges (1370-1041 B.C.)
- **13:21** The Reign of Saul
- 13:22-23, 33-37 The Reign and Ministry of David
  - o 13:22 Beginning of reign as king of Israel
  - o **13:23** Patriarch in the family line of the promised Messiah
  - **13:33** Ministry as psalmist and prophet; prophesied Christ's resurrection (*Psalm 2:7*)
  - **13:34** Named by Isaiah in messianic prophesy (*Isaiah 55:3; 2 Samuel 7:8-16; 1 Chronicles 17:7-14*)
  - **13:35-36** Prophesied Christ's resurrection (*Psalm 16:10*)

#### II. David's Family Tree (*Ruth 1:1-4; 4:18-22*)

- **1:1-4** A Moabite named Ruth married into the Israelite family of Elimelech
  - Elimelech was from the tribe of <u>Judah</u> and owned land in <u>Bethlehem</u>.
- **4:18-22** Ruth became David's great-grandmother and her son Obed was David's grandpa.
  - What an amazing story of God's sovereign grace and salvation!

III. King Saul's Sinful Demise Leads to David's Successful Reign as King (1 Samuel 13:13-14; 15:22-29, 34-35; 16:7b)

- IV. God's Unconditional Covenant with David that Promises an Eternal Kingdom through David's Lineage (2 Samuel 7:8-16; 1 Chronicles 17:7-14)
  - Shepherd
  - Musician & Psalmist
  - Decorated Israeli Soldier & Accomplished Warrior
  - Lead Inspired Writer in the *Book of Psalms* & Writing Prophet
  - Anointed King
  - Unconditional Covenant Recipient & National Hero
  - "A man after His [God's] own heart" (1 Samuel 13:14)

## **OBSERVATIONS & QUESTIONS**

"The LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." (1 Samuel 16:7)

## APPLICATION

No matter what the world may say, the greatest commendation is being approved by God as one who is "after His own heart."

LOOKING AHEAD: 1 Samuel 16 – "An Anointed Shepherd and Skillful Musician"