2 Samuel 5:1-5 **David became King over all Israel** [1 Chron 11:1-3]

1 Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and spoke, saying, "Indeed we are your bone and your flesh. 2 Also, in time past, when Saul was king over us, you were the one who led Israel out and brought them in; and the Lord said to you, 'You shall shepherd My people Israel, and be ruler over Israel.'" 3 Therefore all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord. And they anointed David king over Israel.

4 David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years.
5 In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months, and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty-three years over all Israel and Judah.
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Facts Revealed:
- ✡ All Israel knew that David had been anointed king of Israel at the command of the Lord during the reign of Saul. [1 Samuel 16:11-13, 23:17, 24:16-20]
  - ✧ Under Saul's command, David had led the armies of Israel victoriously. [1 Samuel 18:5-7, 12-16]
  - ✧ Politics is politics, and the political norm was for the kingdom to pass from father to son, and Israel desired to be like other nations around them [1 Samuel 8:4-5], so they continued to follow the descendants of Saul until Saul's last son Ishbosheth was dead, then they turned to David and the Word of the Lord was fulfilled. [2 Samuel 5:1-3, 1 Chronicles 11:1-3]
  - ✧ Many lives would have been saved if they had made David king over all Israel after the death of Saul and Jonathan. [2 Samuel 3:1]
- ✡ David reigned 40 years, he was made king of Judah at age 30, and reigned in Hebron 7 years and 6 months, he was made king over all Israel at age 37 and reigned 33 years in Jerusalem.