

Site: City of David

Scripture References: 2 Samuel 5:8; 1 Corinthians 10:13

Historical Significance:

1. Original site of Jerusalem located on 10 acres south of the Temple Mount.
2. It had geographical advantages because of its steep slopes and fresh water from the Gihon Spring.
3. When David became King he moved the capital from Hebron to Jerusalem. This helped to unite the tribes. Jerusalem had never before been conquered by the Hebrews so it was a neutral territory.

Things to look for:

1. A shaft dating back to 1800 BC was discovered in the 1860's and named Warren's Shaft. It was carved out of the rock to provide access to the water from the Gihon Spring.
2. Pool Tower and Spring Tower
3. Visitor's Center and Observation Platform
4. Possible ruins of the palace of King David

What does this site teach us about God?

1. We should use our positions and privileges to bring glory to God rather than ourselves.
2. We should always be on guard to protect ourselves from using God's grace as an excuse for immorality.
3. It's important to have others to hold us accountable. Accountability brings encouragement that we are not alone in our struggles.