CONTENTS

Acknowledgments Abbreviations	3 5
Chapter 1	
ROST'S THEORY OF A	
THRONE SUCCESSION NARRATIVE	
AND ITS PROPONENTS AND OPPONENTS	7
1. Rost's Theory of a Throne Succession Narrative	7
2. Analysis of Research since Rost	12
3. Conclusions	30
Chapter 2	
2 SAMUEL 10-12 AND THE REMAINDER	
OF THE THRONE SUCCESSION NARRATIVE	33
1. Previous Arguments against the Unity	22
of 2 Samuel 9-20, 1 Kings 1-2	34
2. Thematic Dissimilarities between	,
2 Samuel 10-12 and the Remainder of	
the Throne Succession Narrative	38
3. Literary Dissimilarities between	
2 Samuel 10-12 and the Remainder of	
the Throne Succession Narrative	41
4. The Prophecy-Fulfillment Schema of	
2 Sam 12.1-15a	45
5. Problems Raised by the Historical	
Allusions in 2 Samuel 10-12 in relation to 13-20	46
6. Conclusions	48
Chapter 3	
THE AMMONITE WAR MATERIALS	
2 Samuel 10.1-11.1; 12.26-31	51

1. The Introductory Narrative (2 Sam 10.1-6a) 2. War with the Ammonites and Arameans	53
(2 Sam 10.6b-15)	61
3. War with the Arameans and Concluding Etiology	01
(2 Sam 10.16-19)	67
4. The Battles at Rabbah (2 Sam 11.1 + 12.26-31)	72
5. Conclusions	78
Chapter 4	
THE DAVID-BATHSHEBA, DAVID-URIAH,	
AND DAVID-NATHAN COMPLEXES	
AND THE BIRTH OF SOLOMON	83
1. The David-Bathsheba Affair (2 Sam 11.2-5)	84
2. The David-Uriah Complex (2 Sam 11.6-25)	91
3. The David-Bathsheba Marriage and the	
Birth of the Child (2 Sam 11.26-27a)	99
4. The David-Nathan Complex (2 Sam 11.27b-12.15)	101
5. The Redemption of David (2 Sam 12.16-23)	113
6. The Birth of Solomon	116
7. Conclusions	121
Chapter 5	
SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS	125
Notes	131
Bibliography	185
Index of Biblical References	201
Index of Authors	211