

NIV MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 3:3**UNITED KINGDOM 20-1**

But you are a shield around me, O Lord, you
Bestow glory on me and lift up my head.

**A SON'S REBELLION"
READ 2 Samuel 15:1 - 17:29****DAY 1 - READ 2 Samuel 15:1 - 17:29**

1. What thoughts impressed you in last week's lesson?

2. When David sinned with Bathsheba, the prophet Nathan made a prophecy. In review, what was it from 2 Samuel 12:11-12?

3. Numbering 1-8, arrange these events in sequence from today's reading.

_____ Ahithophel's advice was overruled in favor of Hushai's advice.
_____ David fled Jerusalem leaving ten concubines to care for the palace.
_____ Absalom fulfilled Nathan's prophecy.
_____ Absalom set out to steal the hearts of Israel.
_____ Ziba affirmed allegiance to David but accused Mephibosheth of defection to Absalom.
_____ Zadok the priest returned the ark to Jerusalem.
_____ Ahithophel committed suicide.
_____ David refused to retaliate at Shimei's cursing.

DAY 2 - REVIEW 2 Samuel 15:1-12

4. a. Absalom conspired to become king. What were the first steps taken in verses 1-6?

b. How do you think the "personal touch" of the powerful is . . .
. . . exemplified specifically today?

. . . effective in leadership?

5. a. On what pretense did Absalom leave for Hebron?

b. What had happened in Hebron from 2 Samuel 2:4?

6. Whom did Absalom choose as his advisor and what was his former position?

7. a. What was the people's response to Absalom's conspiracy?

b. What does this show about the "nature" of people in general?

DAY 3 - REVIEW 2 Samuel 15:13-37

8. a. In leaving Jerusalem, who went with David in . . .
 . . . vs. 15?
 . . . vs. 18?
 . . . vs. 24?

 b. Who was left behind?
9. David tried to release Ittai from any obligation, but Ittai pledged loyalty.
 How can this type of commitment help a person who is in personal upheaval?
10. Who was told to return to Jerusalem and why?
11. a. From verses 30-32, what was the significance of the Mount of Olives?

 b. What is its significance in these Scriptures?

 Acts 1:9-12

 Zechariah 14:3-9
12. a. David's prayer regarding Ahithophel's defection was answered almost immediately
 by whom agreeing to do what?

 b. Share a time when you recognized an immediate answer to prayer.

DAY 4 - REVIEW 2 SAMUEL 16:1-23

13. a. How did Ziba minister to David?

 b. . . . manipulate David for his own selfish interest?
14. Since Mosaic law forbade cursing God's ruler (Exodus 22:28), why didn't David let
 Abishai defend him?
15. David had heard bad news of the defection of Ahithophel and Mephibosheth,
 endured abuse from Shimei and arrived at his destination _____ (vs.14).
 How do you react to and revive from a day of total stress?
16. a. In verses 20-23, what advice did Ahithophel give that was followed?

 b. How was his advice regarded?

DAY 5 - REVIEW 2 Samuel 17:1-29

17. Athithophel's plan was to . . .
- a. strike _____.
 - b. kill only _____.
18. Hushai's counter plan was to . . .
- a. fear David's experience as a _____.
 - b. have Absalom lead _____.
19. How were the emissaries sent to warn David protected?
20. What thoughts come to your mind as you read of Ahithophel's suicide in vs.23?
21. In the midst of a desert experience, God provided people to minister to David and his camp. Share a time of welcomed refreshment in your life.

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS: