

“Historical Books Of The Bible”

2 Samuel 14:1-33

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2 Samuel 14:1-10

2 Samuel 12-24 – David’s Trials

2 Samuel 12 – David’s Sin Exposed

2 Samuel 13 – David’s Family Crisis: (Rape/Murder)

2 Samuel 14 – Absalom Returns From Exile

1. Verses 1-20 – Joab Reasons With David

2. Verses 21-27 – Joab Gives Thanks To David

3. Verses 28-33 – Joab Brings Absalom To David

1. Verses 1-20 – Joab Reasons With David:

2 Samuel 14:1

“Absalom” – is a key character; 2 Samuel 13-19, focus on the “Absalom Story”.

2 Samuel 13:38-39

David’s dilemma between the judicial (Committed murder) and paternal (Son).

2 Samuel 14:2

“So Joab sent to Tekoa” – perhaps “trumpet clang”; A town in Judah, about 6 miles south of Bethlehem.

2 Samuel 12:1-7

Nathan – attempted to rouse David’s conscience over his feelings.

Woman – attempted to rouse David’s feelings over his conscience.

2 Samuel 14:3

2 Samuel 14:18-19

2 Samuel 14:4-7

Numbers 35:6

Deuteronomy 19.1-14

2 Samuel 14: 8-11

Verses 12-17 – The Woman Turns The Table: 2 Samuel 14:12-14.

Exodus 32: 30-35

Exodus 34: 6-9

Had God not forgiven David's sins?

2 Samuel 14: 15-20

“in order to change the appearance of things” – (NIV) “Your servant Joab did this to change the present situation.”

2. Verses 21-27 – Joab Gives Thanks To David:

2 Samuel 14: 21-22

2 Samuel 14: 23 – Geshur was about 80 miles from Jerusalem.

2 Samuel 14: 24

Restriction/House Arrest

Is it an unwillingness to forgive, thus creating a root of bitterness? Where is the full grace?

Verses 25-27 – Absalom On The Outside: 2 Samuel 14: 25.

Lack of character was unimportant; what really mattered was status, wealth, and good looks (Popularity).

2 Samuel 14: 26 – His hair weight, 4.4 pounds.

2 Samuel 14: 27

2 Samuel 18: 18

I think David was clouded in perception of Absalom. His appearance, his personality is what David was in love with. David could not use such a one as the future king but he warred in his heart over it.

Psalm Of David – Psalm 101: 1-8

3. Verses 28-33 – Joab Brings Absalom To David:

2 Samuel 14: 28-29

Why did Joab arrange for him to come? When would the restriction lift? Joab did not want to deal with it.

2 Samuel 14: 30-32

Option 1 – “Now therefore, let me see the king's face,” – either take him to the king and let him receive his son and forgive him, or...

Option 2 – “if there is iniquity in me, let him put me to death.” – take him to court and prove that he was guilty of a capital crime and deserves to die.

2 Samuel 14: 33

There is no record that Absalom was repentant and sought his father's forgiveness, or that he visited the temple and offered the required sacrifices.

Absalom's desire for revenge and wanting power to rule kills the prospects of reconciliation.

David was about to lose his throne and crown, his concubines, his trusted adviser Ahithophel, and ultimately his son Absalom.

Application:

1. Forgiveness Needs To Be Free And Complete. David Brought Absalom Back Home But Would Not See Him.
2. In Our Dealings With Others, We Need To Be Careful Not To Base Our Love Upon Appearance And Popularity.
3. David And Absalom's Reconciliation Was Not Genuine. There Was No Mention Of Repentance, And Absalom Never Abandons His Plans To Take David's Throne.