

Second Book of Samuel

Chapter 15 - 24

What do chapters 15 through 18 address? (Note 15:1-18:33)

Read (15:1-6) How does Absalom churn up discontent in the Kingdom? (Note 15:3)

Read (15:7-12) How does Absalom further his plans for the coup? (Note 15:7)

Who is Ahithopel and how does his treachery prefigure that of Judas Iscariot? (Note 15:12)

Read (16:5-14) What is Shimei's critique of David and what is David's response? (Note 16:8) (Note 16:11)

Read (16:20-23) What is Ahithopel's counsel to Absalom? (Note 16:20-23)

Read (17:1-14) Why are the counsels of Ahithopel and Hushai different? (Note 17:1-14)

Read (17:23) How does Ahithopel react to Absalom's rejection of his counsel? (Note 17:23)

Read (18:1-18) Who is victorious in the struggle between David and Absalom? (Note 18:1-33)

Does Joab feel that violence is the most efficient way to achieve political goals? (Note 18:14)

Read (18:31-33) What is David's reaction to the news of Absalom's death? (Note 18:33)

Read (19:1-8) What is Joab's critique of David's mourning for Absalom? (Note 19:1-8)

Read (19:11-13) What is the significance of appointing Amasa as commander of the army? (Note 19:13)

After the conflict with Absalom, does David extend mercy to his enemies? (Note 19:16-40)

Read (19:16-23) How does David treat Shimei? (Note 19:16)

Read (19:20) What is meant by the term "house of Joseph"? (Note 19:20)

Read (19:41-43) Is there friction between the 10 northern tribes and the 2 southern tribes? (Note 19:41-43)

Read (20:1-2) What is the reason for Sheba's rebellion? (Note 20:1)

What is the underlying meaning in chapters 21-24? (Note 21:1-24:25)

Read (21:1-6) Why is there bloodguilt on Saul and his house? (Note 21:1) (Note 21:6)

What does the term "make expiation" mean? **Word Study**

What is David's Song of Thanksgiving? (Note 22:1-51)

How is Yahweh portrayed in the song? (Note 22:1-4)

Read (22:44-46) Does the rule of David exceed that of the Israelite people? (Note 22:44)

Does David sin again by conducting a census? (Note 24:1-25)

Read (24:10) Why is taking a census sinful? (Note 24:10)

Read (24:12-25) How does the offering of sacrifice by David parallel the sacrifice offered by Abraham? (Note 24:12-25)