



SERMON

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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- 1) Begin your time by briefly praying and asking the Holy Spirit to help you as you discuss and study.

** This sermon is a continuation of story of David and Absalom. Absalom attempted to take the kingdom from his father David, and as David fled Jerusalem, some people chose David's side, and some chose Absalom's side.*

- 2) Read 2 Samuel 16:1-14 and 2 Samuel 19:16-43 together.
- 3) What happened in this story and what stuck out to you as you read? Is there anything you'd like to discuss?
- 4) In chapter 16, as David flees Jerusalem, a man named Shimei prophesies against him. How do you think David felt in this moment? Why do you think he responded the way that he did?
- 5) Was Shimei speaking the truth when he prophesied these words? Why or why not?
- 6) Do you think David was right to respond the way that he did to Shimei's words? Should he have stuck up for himself?
- 7) Have you ever been attacked verbally by someone else. How did you respond? Do you think you responded the right way?
- 8) In chapter 19, David shows grace to his enemies. Why did he do this?
- 9) Read Luke 7:41-50 together. How does this story relate to the story of David's grace and mercy?
- 10) How does the gospel free us to forgive those who have wronged us? Is there anyone you are struggling to forgive?
- 11) End your time in prayer. Ask the Holy Spirit to help apply to your life what you've been learning and discussing.