

The Life of King David

Lesson 16 – II Samuel

II Samuel Chapter 16 Student Questions

1. Who came to David then, and what did he bring – 16:1?

2. What purpose did he say his gift would serve – 16:2?

3. What did David ask him, and what was the answer – 16:3?

4. What decision did David make based on this information – 16:4? (Think: We will see this turns out not to be true. What lessons can we learn?)

5. What man confronted David next and of whose family was he – 16:5?

6. What did he do and what accusations did he make against David – 16:6-8?

7. Special Assignment: In what ways did these accusations differ from the truth? (Think: What might have motivated such false accusations?)

8. Who wanted to respond, and what did he want to do – 16:9?

9. What did David say should be done and why – 16:10,11?

10. What good did David hope might come – 16:12,13?

11. Special Assignment: How did these events relate to David's sin and the punishment that God had decreed? In what sense was God behind these events?

12. Application: God had decreed punishments for both Saul and David for their sins. Compare their reactions to the punishments. What lessons can we learn?

13. Compare the circumstances of David to that of Absalom at this point – 16:14,15.

14. How did Hushai greet Absalom – 16:16? (Think: Was this sincere?)

15. What did Absalom ask him – 16:17?

16. What reason did Hushai give for being loyal to Absalom – 16:18,19?

17. What did Absalom request of Ahithophel – 16:20? (Think: Why would Absalom seek advice at this point?)

18. What answer did he receive – 16:21?

19. What purpose would this serve?

20. Describe the importance of Ahithophel in the kingdom – 16:23.