

The Biblical Warrior Series – David
Lesson 20

2 Samuel 16: 1 – 4

1. At first glance, what seems to be Ziba's motivation for doing this? _____

2 Samuel 16: 5 – 13

2. What does this passage of scripture teach us about David? His use of power to silence his political enemies? His conviction about the sovereignty of God? _____

3. **C.f. Proverbs 16:7, Romans 8:31, 2 Chronicles 17:10** What important truth is revealed in these passages? _____

2 Samuel 16: 14 – 23

4. Why did Ahithophel advise this? _____

5. **Prov. 12:15, Prov. 11:14, Prov. 19:20, Prov. 20:18** According to these verses, how important is wise counsel? _____

6. **Proverbs 13:20, Prov. 14:7, 1 Cor. 15:33 c.f 1 Kings 12: 1 – 19** What do these verses teach us about heeding the counsel of fools? How do you tell the difference? _____

2 Samuel 17: 1 – 14

5. How does God work on David's behalf in this passage? At the end of the day, would you agree that it's futile to not seek first His blessing/ favor? Why or why not? _____

6. **V. 8 – 10 c.f. Hosea 13:8, Hebrews 11: 34 – 35 ... Acts 13:22** Is this a “Godly” reputation? Godly behavior? Why or why not? _____

7. **Hebrews 13: 8, Acts 10: 34 – 35 c.f. Romans 13: 1 – 4, Exodus 15:3** Do you think God still values warriors and wants them to reflect this part of His nature should the situation warrant it? Why or why not? _____

2 Samuel 17:15 – 23

8. Do you think thing would've ended like this for Ahithophel had he remained loyal to David? Why or why not? _____

9. Why did Ahithophel kill himself? _____

Application:

1. There will be extremely difficult times in our lives. God designed us to work as a team to support each other in crisis.
2. A conviction that all things ... even things difficult... pass through the hands of a loving God who will work it for our good. Because of that we can let go and place it in His hands.
3. One of the major ways God gives direction in addition to his Word is through the counsel of Godly, mature friends. They have a way of “speaking in unison” to validate God’s direction.
4. Even our enemies are working for our good if we are in right relations with Him.
5. As G.K. Chesterton stated, “The true warrior fights not because he hates what’s in front of him but because he loves what’s behind him.” Warring against evil because of love is a God ordained mission.

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