

**IMPACT BIBLE STUDY
DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

II SAMUEL 15:1 – 17:29

Day 1 – Read II Samuel 15:1 – 17:29

1. What part of the lecture on II Samuel 13:1 – 14:33 was most significant to you?

Day 2 – Review II Samuel 15:1-12

2. Absalom conspired to become king. What were the first steps taken?
Vs. 1-6

3. On what pretense did Absalom leave Jerusalem?

4. Who did Absalom choose as his advisor? What was his former position?

5. a. What was the people's response to Absalom's conspiracy?

b. What does this show about the "nature" of people in general?

Day 3 – Review II Samuel 15:13-37

6. Who was with David as he fled into exile?

7. Who returned to Jerusalem and why?

8.
 - a. What was David's prayer concerning Ahithophel, his former advisor?
 - b. Who came as David worshipped?
 - c. Where did David send him and what reason was given?
9. God provided this man for David right at the moment he was needed.
 - a. Can you think of times in your life when almost as you finish uttering your needs to God, the answer is there? Please share. See Hebrews 4:16.
 - b. David trusted God as he fled from Absalom. Read Psalm 3 and 4 which were written during this time. Choose a verse from each to share.

Day 4 – Review II Samuel 16:1-23

10. What do you think were Ziba's ulterior motives, if any?
11.
 - a. What man of Saul's family came into contact with David?
 - b. What did he do?
 - c. What was David's response and why?
12. Why was Absalom surprised to see Hushai?

13. What advice was given by Ahithophel that Absalom took, that cut off any possibility of reconciliation between David and his son? See II Samuel 12:11.

14. a. What compliment is given Ahithophel's advice that may have inspired false confidence?

b. On what basis do you choose those you ask for advice?

Day 5 – Review II Samuel 17:1-29

15. Describe Ahithophel's recommendations.

16. What was Hushai's counter plan?

17. a. Which plan was chosen?

b. How is this in answer to David's prayer in 15:31?

18. a. What became of Ahithophel?

b. What other betrayer in Scripture came to the same end? See Matthew 27:3-5.

19. David receives comfort for himself and his people.

a. From who was it received?

b. What form was it in?

c. What does this example and the following Scriptures teach us about our lives? Romans 12:13 and Hebrews 6:10.