

2 Samuel 19:9-43

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Sermon Study Guide

(Reminder: The purpose of the questions is to explore the text and themes of the sermon. **Do not feel a need to go through all of the questions.**

The goal is to stimulate discussion/reflection and transformation related to the sermon text and themes.)

1. Do you see any parallels between the tribal infighting of David's day and the Christians bickering in Corinth that Paul addressed in 1 Corinthians 1-4?
2. Although Shimei cursed the LORD's anointed the LORD vindicated and delivered David. Should David have punished Shimei? By what means does God forgive those who curse and hate Him? Discuss how God's promise of forgiveness is a more sure word than any human promise.
3. Shimei's submission to David was clearly one of self-preservation. How radical is your submission to Christ?
4. Mephibosheth is portrayed as one who identified with David's exile and treasured his relationship with David more than property and possessions (24-30). Do we treasure Christ above all? What might that look like?
5. Barzillai was an old rich man who had no need for David's reward, instead he used this opportunity to bless another. Where has God given you an open door to bless someone at SCBC, in your neighborhood, or in our community