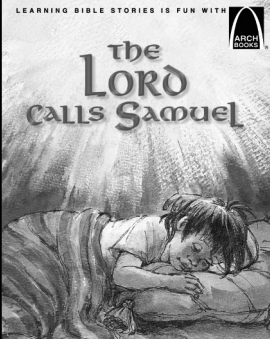


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| <p><b>David and Ziba – 16:1-4</b><br/> † 1 – David is fleeing from his son, Absalom who has taken over Jerusalem. On his way across the Mt. of Olives, he encounters two people. The first is Ziba who had been taking care of Mephibosheth, Jonathan’s crippled son. He came to him with supplies.<br/> † 2 – He told David they were for his troops.</p> | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> |
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| <p><b>David and Ziba – 16:1-4</b><br/> † 3 – Ziba says that Mephibosheth has gone to Jerusalem, hoping to get Saul’s kingdom back.<br/> † Is Ziba telling the truth? Either he is telling the truth, or he hoped to gain favors from the king.<br/> † It’s hard to believe that a crippled Mephibosheth could be king.<br/> † No indication that Mephibosheth is disloyal.<br/> † Ziba is probably being deceptive.</p> | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> |
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**David and Ziba – 16:1-4**

- † 4 – This is more about David. He took Ziba at his word and immediately decreed that Mephibosheth’s estate now belong to Ziba.
- † David could have done this later, but he needed all the support he could get.

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**Shimei Curses David – 16:5-14**

- † 5 – As David traveled toward the Jordan, he came to Bahurim, where a man from the house of Saul, Shimei, cursed him.
- † 6 - His attack is not only verbal. He also threw stones at David.
- † 7 – He accused David of being a “good-for-nothing man.”

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**Shimei Curses David – 16:5-14**

- † 9 – Abishai was indignant. He wanted to execute Shimei on the spot.
- † 10-11 – But David says, “No.” Shimei may be acting at God’s direction.
- † 12 – It could be that the Lord will turn his cursing into good.

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**Absalom and Ahithophel – 16:15-23**

- † 15 – Meanwhile, Absalom enters the city.
- † 16 – They are greeted by Hushai: “Long live the king.” But he doesn’t say which king!
- † 17-18 – Hushai assures Absalom that he will serve the one whom God has chosen.
- † 19 – Whom should he serve? He served before David, so he would “be before” the son. Never uses Absalom’s name.

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**Absalom and Ahithophel – 16:15-23**

- † 20 – What to do next?
- † 21 – Ahithophel gave him the advice to sleep with his father’s concubines, thus making himself detestable to his father.
- † 22 – This fulfills Nathan’s prophecy. (12:11)
- † 23 – Why follow Ahithophel’s advice? Because his word was considered as good as God’s Word.

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**Hushai Saves David – 17:1-14**

- † Three things in this chapter save David:
  - † 1) Hushai’s advice to Absalom
  - † 2) The escape of Zadok’s messengers
  - † 3) David’s allies bring him supplies.
- 1- 3 – Ahithophel tells Absalom that he would attack David that night, kill David, and bring his people back.

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**Hushai Saves David – 17:1-14**

- † 4 – Absalom thought it a good plan, but wanted to make sure.
- † 5 – So he asked Hushai, another of David's advisors.
- † 7-8 – Hushai reminded Absalom that David is a seasoned warrior, and will be as angry as a bear robbed of her cubs.

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**Hushai Saves David – 17:1-14**

- † 9 – And as an experienced fighter, David would hide out and ambush Absalom.
- † 10 – Absalom's soldiers would panic because of David's reputation as a fighter.
- † 11-12 – Better would be take some time to gather an army that would overwhelm David.
- † 14 – Absalom is convinced because God is directing it. It buys time for David.

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**A Warning to David – 17:15-22**

- † 15 – Hushai got word to Zadok to deliver a message to David: "Get over the Jordan."
- † 17 – The high priests' sons, Jonathan and Ahimaaz were staying in the Kidron valley.
- † 18 – But they were reported to Absalom. The messengers got to Bahurim and hid in a well (cistern).

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**A Warning to David – 17:15-22**

- † 19 – A woman covered the well, making it look like it wasn't used.
- † 20 – She told Absalom's men that the ones they sought had moved on.
- † 21 – The messengers delivered the message.
- † 22 – David crossed the Jordan that night.

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**David in Mahanaim – 17:23-29**

- † 23 – Ahithophel, realizing he had no place either to Absalom or David, went and hung himself.
- † 25 – Absalom appointed his cousin, Amasa, as his commander. Amasa and Joab are cousins.
- † 26 – Absalom took his army across the Jordan into Gilead.

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**David in Mahanaim – 17:23-29**

- † 27 – Three people aided David in exile:
  - † 1) Shobi, son of the Ammonite king, Nahash.
  - † 2) Machir, took in Mephibosheth.
  - † 3) Barzillai from Gilead, probably loyal to David because of how he treated Saul.
- 28-29 – They brought supplies and food for David and his people.

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