

More Division and Conflict (2 Sam. 19:40 – 20:22)

19:40-43 – Conflict between tribes of Israel and _____

- Israel accused Judah of “stealing” _____ – Judah replied _____

20:1-2 – _____ led a rebellion of the men of _____

20:3 – David abstains from 10 concubines and _____ for them

20:4-13 – David orders _____ to call army of Judah to pursue Sheba

- He delays, so David sends _____ instead
- Joab meets Amasa and _____ him

20:14-22 – Joab and the army pursue _____ to Abel Beth-maacah

- Joab sieges the city to destroy it → a _____ woman appeals to him
 - 1) We are peaceful and _____ in Israel – do not _____ this important city → Joab agrees in exchange for _____
 - 2) Woman agrees → people kill _____

Take-Away I think that...

1. David is realizing he needs to apply _____ in his home
 - How about me?
 - How much of my home life is modeled after the _____?
2. _____ is hard to figure out
 - Fearless soldier and loyal to _____, but also _____
 - David’s and Joab’s responsibilities:
 - God will have the _____ (23-26 → 1 Kings 2)
3. The Holy Spirit purposely contrasted _____ and the woman of Abel
 - *Sheba*: utterly _____ – ready to _____ the kingdom
Started a fight he could not win against the _____
 - *Woman*: _____ – committed to peace and to the _____
Account modeled after _____ (1 Sam. 25)
The power of a wise _____
4. The _____ ways of the tribes of Israel are a mirror for us
 - 19:9-10 → 40-43 → 20:1-2 – an excuse for their own _____
 - Easily carried away by the next _____ or person
 - Needed: a daily commitment to seek the _____ & the _____

Discussion Questions – 2 Samuel 19:40 – 20:22

1. Name at least 3 instances from our passage today where you see “the nature of human nature” at play.

What can we learn / take away from these observations?

2. What are some of the specific ways that Sheba exhibited foolishness?

What are some specific ways that the woman of Abel exhibited wisdom?

What are some lessons we can take from each of these for our own life?

3. What is *one thing* you definitely want to take away with you from today’s message?

How do you plan to *follow through* on that *one thing*?