

# **KING QUANDARIES**

## **II Samuel 19-20**

**Tonight we'll consider four aspects of David  
as a king who causes quandaries.**

### **I. PUBLIC ISSUES (19:8-15)**

*- What do you do with a dethroned king?*

#### **A. POSITION (8)**

- David is now sitting in the gate of Mahanaim

#### **B. PROBLEM (9)**

- David is an inconsistent hero!

#### **C. PREDICAMENT (10a)**

- Absalom is dead!

#### **D. PROTEST (10b)**

- Why is there hesitation about restoring David to the throne?

#### **E. PLAN (11-15)**

- David runs for reelection.

### **II. PERSONAL ISSUES (19:16-39)**

*- What do I do with a rethroned king?*

#### **A. SHIMEI CONFESSED AND FOUND MERCY (16-23)**

1. His Confession (16-20)
2. David's Mercy (21-23)

#### **B. MEPHIBOSHETH CLARIFIED AND WAS RESTORED (24-30)**

1. The Clarification (24-28)
2. The Restoration (29-30)

#### **C. BARZILLAI CELEBRATED AND WAS HONORED (31-39)**

1. The Celebration (31-32)
2. The Honor (33-39)

### III. PARTISAN ISSUES (40-43)

- *Who takes preeminence with an enthroned king?*

- A. THE KINGS ACCOMPANISTS (40)
- B. ISRAEL'S ACCUSATION (41)
- C. JUDAH'S ANSWER (42)
- D. ISRAEL'S ATTACK (43a)
- E. JUDAH'S ANGST (43b)

### IV. PARTING ISSUES (20:1-22)

- *What do you do with a self-throned king?*

- A. SHEBA'S REVOLT (1-2)
- B. DAVID'S RESPONSE (3-7)
- C. JOAB'S REVENGE (8-13)
- D. A WISE WOMEN'S REACTION (14-22)

### V. PRACTICAL ISSUES

- *What can we learn from dethroned, rethroned, enthroned and self-throned kings?*

- A. Inconsistency incites confusion (19:8-15)
- B. Current reactions will depend on former responses (19:16-39)
- C. Jealousy and pride encourage conflict (19:40-43)
- D. Opportunistic rebels will come to ruin (20:1-22)

**CONCLUSION:** Though we long for a nice, neat and peaceful life .... Quandaries come and people falter

**Yet we have one King who rules and reigns in perfection**

- *And though we may not always understand Him, we can always trust Him!* - See Psalm 145:1-7

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