



2 Samuel 18:1-33

## The SETTING

- 1. How does David struggle between duty and mercy?
- 2. What is the best way to maintain a balance between duty and mercy? Compare Ephesians 4:15.

## The WORDING

- 1. How does the wording of verse 8 indicate another hand was at work for David?
- 2. How does David's cry for his son reveal his priorities?

## The MEANING

- 1. Why did Joab refuse to send Ahimaaz to deliver the news?
- 2. Why is it important to have the timing and message in tune? Compare Proverbs 25:11.

## The LIVING

- 1. What are some practical steps to walking in the law of forgiveness? Compare Psalm 103:12.
- 2. What is the source of power for duty? Compare 2 Corinthians 10:6.