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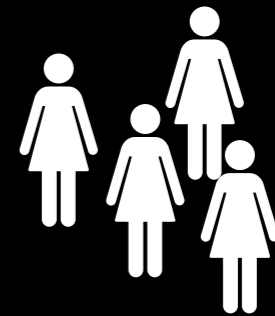


David
king
of
Israel
2
Samuel
1
Joab
Absalom
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went
people
came
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city
therefore
gone
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Syrians
put
wife
regret
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gone
household
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Syrians
head
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Hebron
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one
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King Talmai
Of Geshur



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Concubines

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Amnon



Chileab -
Daniel



Absalom



Aconijah



Shephatiah



Ithream



Shimea



Shobab



Nathan



Solomon



Tamar

The 'NINE'

Ibhar, Elishama,
Eliphelet,
Nogah, Nepheg,
Japhia,
Elishama, Eliada,
Eliphelet

RAISING UP EVIL

10 Now therefore the **sword** shall **never depart from thine house**; because thou hast despised me, and hast taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be thy wife.

11 Thus saith the Lord, Behold, I will **raise up evil** against thee out of thine **own house**, and I will take thy wives before thine eyes, and give them unto thy **neighbour**, and **he** shall lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun. **2 Samuel 12:10,11**

Our Sins Affect our Family

Internal strife and bloodshed now a part of David's household

God is Involved in the Punishment

David would experience evil from within his own family

David experiences what Saul did

What can happen to others can happen to us. (1 Samuel 15:28)



TO DO EVIL

	David	Amnon
SECRECY	2 Samuel 12:12	2 Samuel 13:9
SIGHT	2 Samuel 11:2	2 Samuel 13:1,2
SENT	2 Samuel 11:3,4	2 Samuel 13:6,7
SIN	2 Samuel 11:4,15,17	2 Samuel 13:14
SUSPENSION	2 Samuel 11:27	2 Samuel 13:20,21
SUFFERING	2 Samuel 12:9-12,14,18	2 Samuel 13:28,29

"Wherefore hast thou despised the commandment of the LORD **to do evil** in his sight?" **2 Samuel 12:9**

TO DO EVIL

	Absalom	Adonijah
SECRECY	2 Samuel 13:22,28 15:10,11	1 Kings 1:8,10,11,18
SIGHT	2 Samuel 13:23,28;15:4,7	1 Kings 1:1,5
SENT	2 Samuel 13:23,27 14:29,32;17:11	1 Kings 1:7,9,41
SIN	2 Samuel 13:28,29;14:30 15:6,10-13;16:22	1 Kings 1:5;2:15,17
SUSPENSION	2 Samuel 14:24,32,33 17:11,12	1 Kings 1:6,50-53
SUFFERING	2 Samuel 13:38;18:15	1 Kings 2:24,25

Then when **lust** hath conceived, it bringeth forth **sin**: and **sin**, when it is finished, bringeth forth **death**. **James 1:15**

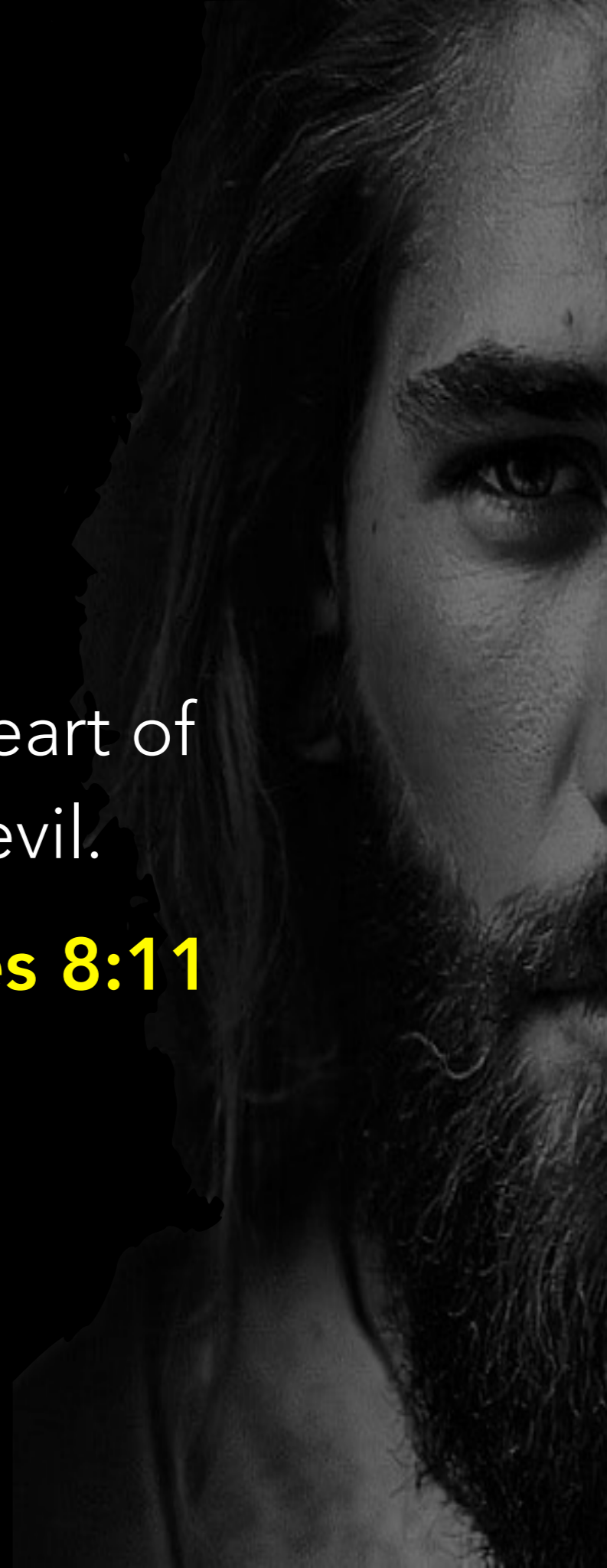


AMNON & ABSALOM

JUSTICE DELAYED

Because sentence against an evil work is **not** executed **speedily, therefore** the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil.

Ecclesiastes 8:11



THE BEGINNING OF THE END

17 But he, knowing their thoughts, said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house divided against a house falleth.

Luke 11:17



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The Son of Maacah

To despise the commandments of God is to **despise God himself**

Psalm 51:4

We may be forgiven for the sins we commit yet the **consequences of our actions** remain and can affect our entire family

A **delay in judgement** for an evil deed, leads to an attitude of mind that such actions are acceptable

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ISRAEL

IN THE TIME OF KING DAVID

Mediterranean Sea

Lake Galilee

Geshur

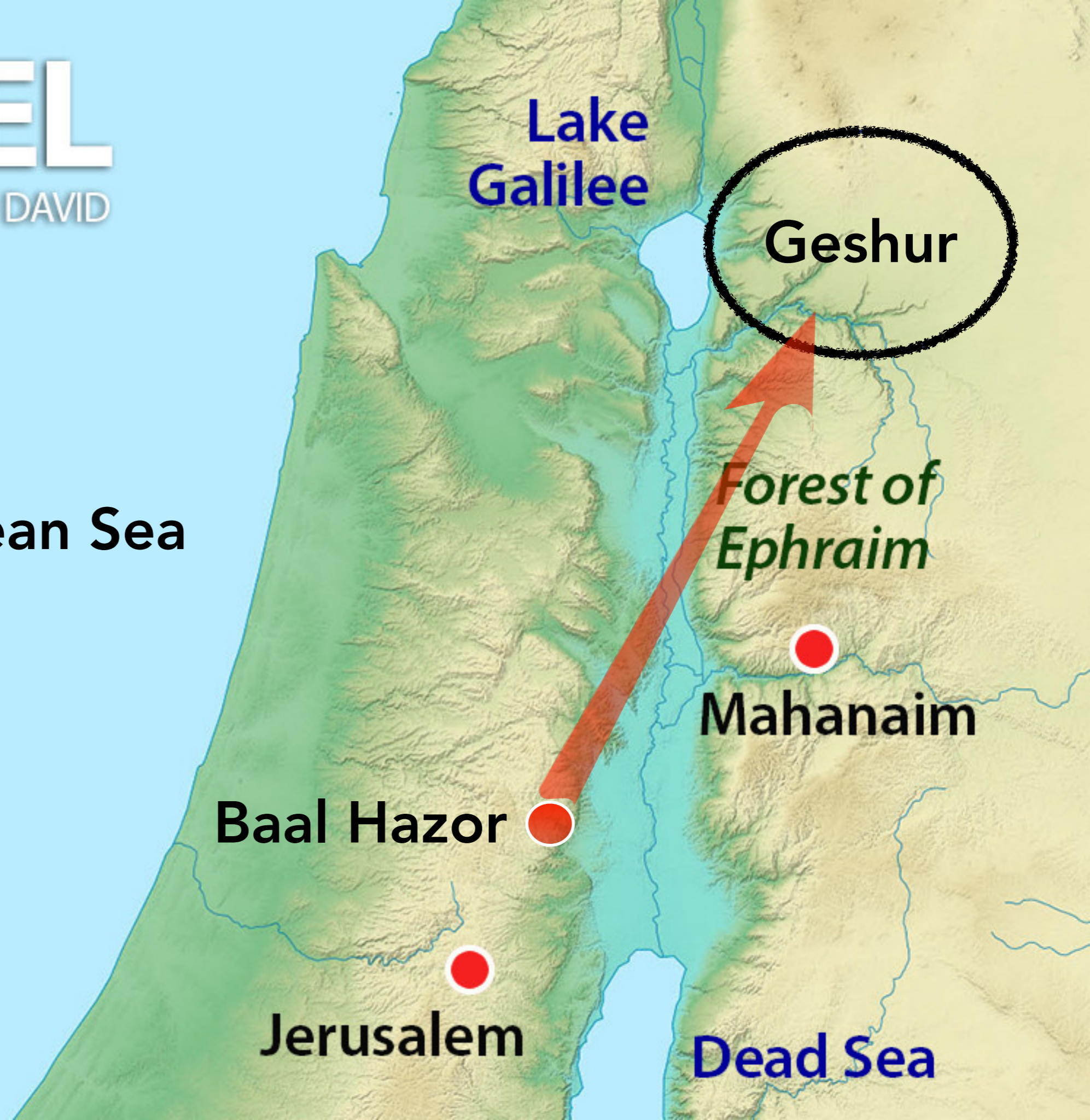
Forest of Ephraim

Mahanaim

Baal Hazor

Jerusalem

Dead Sea



ABSALOM FLED

The **wicked flee** when **no man** **pursueth**: but the righteous are bold as a lion.

Proverbs 28:1



Absalom

- **INDIFFERENT** - lacking in empathy 2 Samuel 13:20
- **DECEPTIVE** - doesn't reveal true intentions 2 Samuel 13:20,22,23
- **OPPORTUNIST** - waits for the right time 2 Samuel 13:23
- **MANIPULATOR** - uses others for his ends 2 Samuel 13:27,28
- **DETERMINED** - has a persistent focus 2 Samuel 13:24-27
- **COWARD** - runs from the scene 2 Samuel 13:34,37,38



JOAB & ABSALOM

What hast thou done?

CAIN & ABEL

2 sons (brothers) strive in a **field**

Genesis 4:8

Abel is slain leaving a **single heir**

Genesis 4:8

Cain fears he will be **killed**

Genesis 4:13

Cain laments : he will be driven from
'**the face of the earth**'

Genesis 4:14

Cain pleads for **deliverance** from
vengeance

Genesis 4:15

God judges Cain will **not** be slain

Genesis 4:15

TWO SONS

2 sons (brothers) strive in a **field**

2 Samuel 14:6

One son is slain leaving a **single heir**

2 Samuel 14:6

Widow fears heir will be **killed**

2 Samuel 14:7

Widow fears ... no name '**upon the
face of the earth**'^(margin)

2 Samuel 14:7

Widow pleads, her son be **delivered**
from '**revengers**'

2 Samuel 14:11

David judges her son will **not** die

2 Samuel 14:11

... UNDER THE LAW

**Premeditated
murder**

AMNON & ABSALOM

14 But if a man willfully attacks another to kill him by cunning, you shall take him from my altar, that he may die. **Exodus 21:14**

WOMAN'S TWO SONS

22 But if he thrust him suddenly without enmity, or have cast upon him any thing without laying of wait

23 Or with any stone, wherewith a man may die, seeing him not, and cast it upon him, that he die, and was not his enemy, neither sought his harm

24 Then the congregation shall judge between the slayer and the revenger of blood according to these judgments **Numbers 35:22-24**

Manslaughter

PERFECT IN HIS APPEARANCE

25 But in all Israel there was none to be so much praised as **Absalom for his beauty**: from the sole of his foot even to the crown of his head there was **no blemish in him**.

26 And when he polled his head, (for it was at every year's end that he polled it: because the hair was heavy on him, therefore he polled it:) he weighed the hair of his head at two hundred shekels after the king's weight.

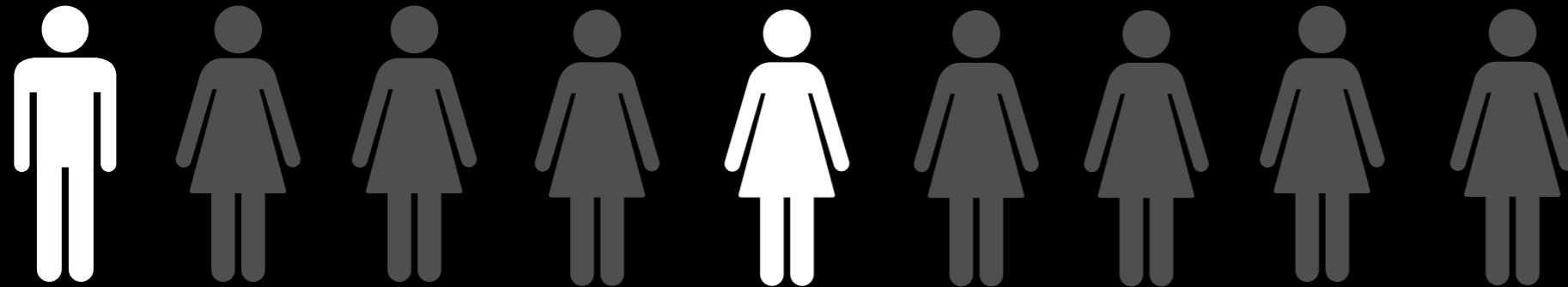
2 Samuel 14:25,26



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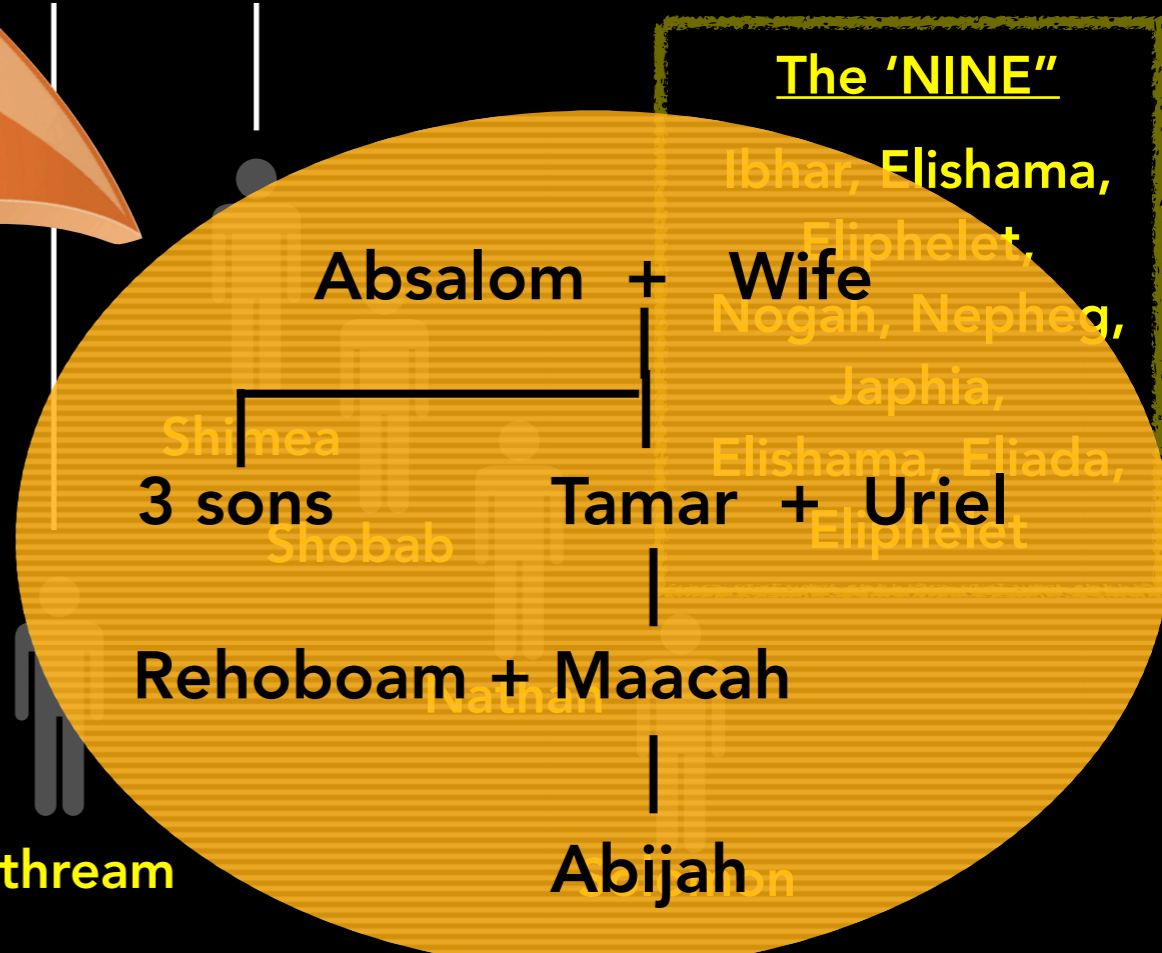
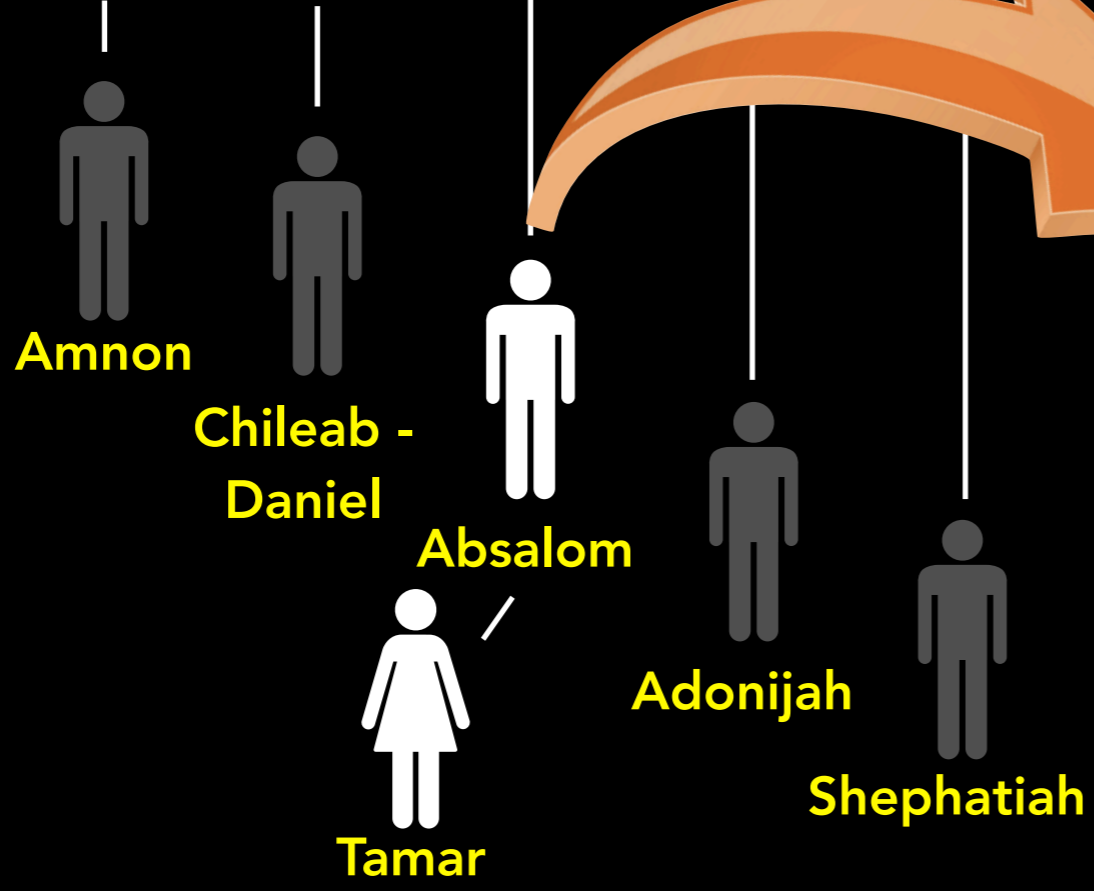


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Nogan, Nepheg,
Japhia,
Elishama, Eliada,
Eliphelet

Absalom + Wife

Shimea
3 sons
Shobab

Tamar + Uriel

Rehoboam + Maacah

Abijah

Amnon

Chileab -
Daniel

Absalom

Adonijah

Shephatiah

Tamar

Ithream

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The Heart of the King

Contemplative reflection on the **word** of God and its principles **can prevent** a rush to judgement

To avoid being fooled by outward appearances we need to **observe what a person does** on a consistent basis

The demonstration of knowing God's principles is through their **proper application**, applied at the **right time** and **in the right way**

