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PARENTING









“Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. “Honor your father and mother” ... “Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.”

- Ephesians 6:1-4

“Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.”

- Proverbs 22:6, ESV



David & Absalom, 2 Samuel 13-18

39 And the spirit of the king longed to go to Absalom, for he was consoled concerning Amnon's death.

2 Samuel 13:39

27 Three sons and a daughter were born to Absalom. The daughter's name was Tamar, and she became a beautiful woman. 28 Absalom lived two years in Jerusalem without seeing the king's face.

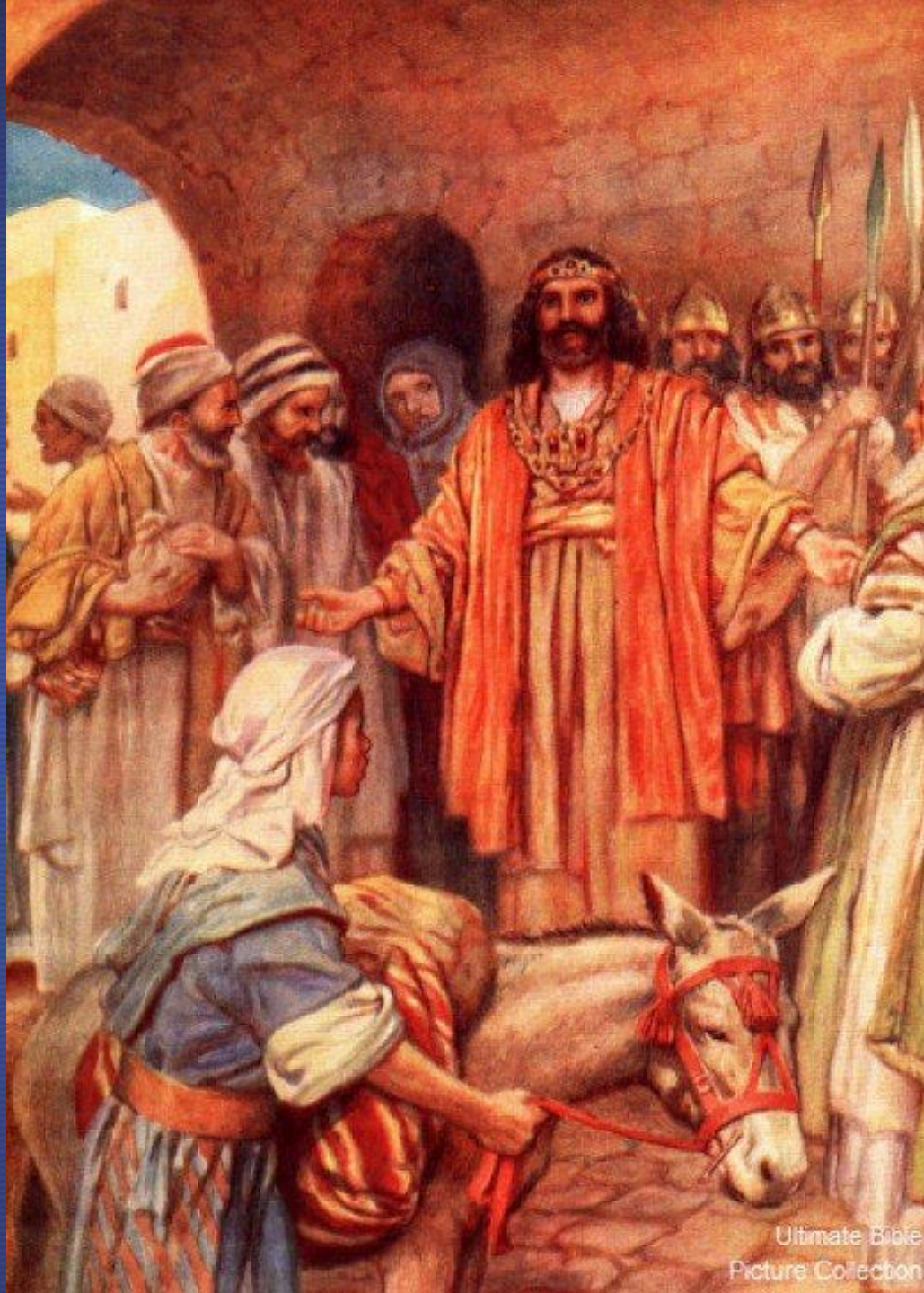
2 Samuel 14:27–28

² [Absalom] would get up early and stand by the side of the road leading to the city gate. Whenever anyone came with a complaint to be placed before the king for a decision, Absalom would call out to him, “What town are you from?” He would answer, “Your servant is from one of the tribes of Israel.” ³ Then Absalom would say to him, “Look, your claims are valid and proper, but there is no representative of the king to hear you.”

2 Samuel 15:2–4, 6

4 And Absalom would add, “If only I were appointed judge in the land! Then everyone who has a complaint or case could come to me and I would see that he gets justice.” 6 Absalom behaved in this way toward all the Israelites who came to the king asking for justice, and so he stole the hearts of the men of Israel.

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Practice gratitude and forgiveness.

¹ David mustered the men who were with him and appointed over them commanders of thousands and commanders of hundreds. ⁵ The king commanded Joab, Abishai and Ittai, “Be gentle with the young man Absalom for my sake.” And all the troops heard the king giving orders concerning Absalom to each of the commanders.

2 Samuel 18:1, 5, 9, 14

⁹ Now Absalom happened to meet David's men. He was riding his mule, and as the mule went under the thick branches of a large oak, Absalom's head got caught in the tree. He was left hanging in midair, while the mule he was riding kept on going. ¹⁴ So [Joab] took three javelins in his hand and plunged them into Absalom's heart while Absalom was still alive in the oak tree.

2 Samuel 18:1, 5, 9, 14



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