

Journaling

Guided Journaling Prompts: 2 Samuel 15

Understanding the Story

1. Who is Absalom and what is he doing in this chapter?
 - Describe Absalom's actions. What does he want to achieve?
2. How does King David react to Absalom's actions?
 - What choices does David make, and how does he feel about them?

Reflection

3. Think about a time when you wanted something very much.
 - What did you do to achieve it? Were your actions fair and honest like God teaches us to be?
4. Why is it important to listen to people who care about you, like King David listened to his friends?
 - Can you remember a time when someone gave you good advice? How did it help?

Personal Application

5. What qualities do you think are important in a good leader?
 - How can you show these qualities at school or at home?
6. Absalom tried to become king in the wrong way. What is one good thing you can do this week to practice honesty and fairness?
 - Write down your goal and one step you will take to achieve it.

Prayer

7. Write a prayer asking God to help you make good choices and to guide you in being fair and honest.
 - Think about what you learned from Absalom and David's story and include it in your prayer.

Open-Ended Questions

8. How would you feel if you were in David's position?
 - Imagine how it would be to have someone close to you trying to take your place. What would you do?
9. Imagine you could talk to Absalom. What advice would you give him about doing the right thing?
 - Write down what you would say to help him see a better path.

Use your journal to reflect on these prompts and remember that God is always there to help us make good choices.