

# Takehome

## 2 Samuel 24: Reflect and Explore

### Introduction:

In the Bible, 2 Samuel 24 tells the story of King David who, against God's wishes, decides to take a census of Israel. This event teaches us important lessons about trust, obedience, and seeking forgiveness. Together with your family, let's explore the chapter and see what we can learn from David's story.

### Activity 1: Story Time

Gather around with your family and read 2 Samuel 24 together. If you have different versions of the Bible at home, try reading the same chapter from a different version for a different perspective.

### Discussion Questions:

1. Why do you think counting the people was considered wrong in this story?
2. How did David feel once he realized he had made a mistake?
3. What does this story teach us about making choices and taking responsibility for our actions?
4. Why is it important to ask for forgiveness when we make mistakes?

### Activity 2: Family Census

Just as King David counted the people, take a census of things important to you in your home!

- Count the number of books, toys, or perhaps the yummy fruits in the fruit basket.
- Write down your results and compare them with the rest of your family.
- Discuss why it's important to sometimes count and keep track of certain things, as opposed to why David's census caused problems.

### Reflection Exercise:

Create a simple journal entry or drawing that shows what you think is the most important lesson from this chapter. You can answer these prompts:

- "I learned that it's important to..."
- "One time when I asked for forgiveness was when..."
- "I can trust in God by..."

### Activity 3: Say a Prayer Together

As a family, take a moment to pray together. Thank God for the guidance He gives in our lives and ask Him to help you make good choices and learn from your mistakes.

By participating in these activities, you've explored how 2 Samuel 24 relates to our lives today. Remember that trusting and obeying God can help guide you through life's challenges.