Visuals

Lesson Title: "Key Events and Themes in 2 Samuel 3"

Slide 1: Title Slide
- Visual: A simple, elegant title card with the text "Lesson: 2 Samuel 3 - The Rise of David and the Fall of Abner"
- Description: Use a background image of ancient biblical scrolls to give context.
- Caption: "Exploring the key events and themes of 2 Samuel 3"

Slide 2: Introduction of Key Characters
- Visual: Illustrated portraits or simple icons of David, Abner, Joab, and Ish-Bosheth.
- Description: Each character might be represented by simple, distinct icons or art showing characteristics (David with a harp or crown, Abner with a spear).
- Caption: "Key figures in 2 Samuel 3"

Slide 3: The Shift in Power
- Visual: A timeline of events from 2 Samuel 3, with emphasis on Abner's defection from Ish-Bosheth to David.
- Description: Use arrows and short text boxes along a timeline to show the sequence of Abner's initial allegiance to Ish-Bosheth, his quarrel with Ish-Bosheth, and his subsequent pledge to David.
- Caption: "The transfer of loyalty and shifting power"

Slide 4: Abner’s Influence and Death
- Visual: A map showing the regions of Israel and Judah, highlighting Hebron.
- Description: Indicate Hebron, where David reigned, to illustrate where Abner’s influence was felt and later assassinated by Joab.
- Caption: "Abner's role and his untimely death in Hebron"

Slide 5: Themes of Loyalty and Betrayal
- Visual: A yin-yang style diagram that contrasts loyalty with betrayal.
- Description: Half the circle illustrates support and loyalty, with symbols like a handshake or heart; the other half depicts betrayal, with broken chains or shattered items.
- Caption: "Contrasting themes in 2 Samuel 3"

Slide 6: Reflection and Discussion Questions
- Visual: A question mark in the center surrounded by text-based discussion points.
- Description: Include questions like: "What can we learn from Abner's shifting loyalties?" or "How

does David's response to betrayal teach us about forgiveness?"
- Caption: "Reflect and discuss: Applying lessons from 2 Samuel 3"

Slide 7: Prayer Points and Conclusion
- Visual: A tranquil image of hands joined in prayer.
- Description: Encourage reflection on the themes with prayer points focusing on understanding loyalty and handling conflict in a godly way.
- Caption: "Concluding prayer and life application"

These visuals and slides are designed to reinforce the key elements of 2 Samuel 3 while connecting them to broader themes of loyalty, leadership, and faith.