

May 1 Questions

- 1) The end of Absalom's revolt. When Absalom arrived at Jerusalem, Ahithophel, the _____ of Bathsheba, advised him to _____ David's concubines. This _____ God's word through Nathan the prophet (2 Sam 12:11-12), and it teaches us that the sin we commit in secret will _____ us out. Anytime Satan tries to convince us that no one will ever know, we should remember this story and _____ his lies. God enabled Hushai to defeat the good counsel of Ahithophel in answer to David's prayer (2 Sam 15:31; 17:14), and it should comfort us to know that the wisdom of the enemy is _____ against God's sovereign will. David wrote at least _____ songs during this ordeal, and they are an inspiring example of how to _____ our cares on God. David poured out his heart to God and cried out for help, but he did not end his prayers in _____. Instead, he _____ his soul with thoughts of God, and he _____ ("I will") to praise God in spite of his circumstances. David prepared his army for war and there was a great battle in the _____ hills of southern Gilead. Absalom's forces were defeated and Absalom himself was slain. When David learned of his son's death, he _____ in grief. _____ angrily confronted David and reminded him that a good leader puts his own feelings and emotions _____ and does what's best for his people. This shows us how easy it is to be so caught up in our own pain that we're _____ to the sacrifices of those who love and support us. David's reaction to Absalom's death reveals that he blamed _____ for everything that had gone wrong with his children. If we don't make the hard choices _____ in our children's lives, we will end up in that chamber over the gate, weeping with David in regret.