

1. In Vs 1 we find Joab is concerned about David's preoccupation with Absalom. What does he do? Vs 2-7
2. How is the story presented to David? See 12:1-12
3. What did the king do for her? Vs 8
4. What surprising statement does she make about the king? Vs 9
5. What assurance did David give to the woman? Vs 10-11 See Num. 35:9-21
6. What is the woman saying in verses 12-14? See 12:13
7. What is the hidden (real) meaning of verses 15-16? Why this deception?
8. What does she say "the king is as" in verse 17?
9. David now understands and asks the woman, "who sent her with this story?" Vs 18-20
10. What did the king say to Joab? Vs 21
11. Under what terms (conditions) could Absalom return to Jerusalem? Vs 22-24
12. What did Absalom do once a year? Vs 25-26 See I Sam. 9:1-2
13. How many children did Absalom have and what were their names? Vs 27 See 18:18
14. What did Absalom want Joab to do? Vs 28-29
15. What did Absalom have his servants do to get Joab's attention? Vs 30
16. Did this ruse (subterfuge) work? Vs 31-32
17. What was the result? Vs 33