

## II SAMUEL 20; May 5; Sheba's Rebellion Against David

### ANALYSIS:

1. Who observed the argument between the tribe of Judah and the other tribes of Israel and tried to take Israel's allegiance from David to himself? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What command did David give to Amasa, his newly appointed commander-in-chief? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Whom did David send out to capture Sheba when Amasa was late returning to David? \_\_\_\_\_
4. In what city did David's men find Sheba and besiege that city?  
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5. How did Sheba's life and rebellion end? \_\_\_\_\_  
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### THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

A wise woman of the city of Abel of Beth-maachah, through her wisdom, saved her city and many lives from the destruction of war. She found out from Joab why he was attacking the city -- he was after the one man Sheba who had rebelled against David. She approached the people of her city and persuaded them to surrender Sheba to save their city. She had a very serious task, involving life and death, and she was successful.

Will we purpose to offer wise counsel, be a peace maker, meditate between offended parties and help settle disputes before they result in estrangement, bitterness or worse?

### HELP:

1. Sheba, a Benjamite (v 1).
2. Assemble the men of Judah within three days and be here present (v 4).
3. Abishai, with Joab's men and the Cherethites and Pelethites (vs 6-7).
4. Abel of Beth-maachah (V 15).
5. A wise woman of the city pleaded with Joab not to destroy the city and innocent people. When she learned that Joab was after Sheba, she went to the people of her city, in her wisdom, and they beheaded Sheba and cast his head over the wall to Joab and thus ended the rebellion (vs 16-22).