



Message Study Guide

(Scriptures & quotes from this week's message are available on thorncreek.church/live)

Warming up

1. Have you ever had a friend...that you didn't completely trust? How did you deal with the relationship?

Digging Deeper & Application

Take your time reading the scripture given. If possible look up the verses in different versions and pause at each verse and discuss it.

2. Who was Joab in the bible? Google him!
3. According to 1 Chronicles 11:6, what was Joab first to do? What does this say about Joab's personality?
4. Read 2 Samuel 2:12-32.
 - a. What does this passage tell you about the character of Joab?
 - b. Who was a fast runner?
 - c. What did Abner do?
 - d. How do you think this made Joab feel?
5. Read 2 Samuel 3:20-31.
 - a. What happened with Joab?
 - b. What did Joab do?
 - c. Why did Joab kill Abner?
 - d. How were David's feelings about Abner different from Joab?
6. Read 2 Samuel 11:5-18.
 - a. What position did David put Joab in?
 - b. Do you think David knew what type of person Joab was?
 - c. Have you ever been asked to do something unethical?
 - d. How do you think Joab felt?
7. What did Joab do for King David in 2 Samuel 12:26-28?
 - a. Why do you think Joab did this for David?



- b. Compare this good deed with 2 Samuel 14:1-3. What did Joab do for the king?
 - c. Do you think Joab was a good guy? Explain.

8. What does 2 Samuel 18:14-15; and 2 Samuel 20:8-10, tell you about Joab? Was he unpredictable? Jealous? Insecure? Explain.

9. What did David's deathbed wish for Solomon in 1 Kings 2:5-6?

10. What happened with King Solomon and Joab in 1 Kings 2:28-34?

Application

Below are some of the points or quotes shared in the message.
Discuss how they apply to your life.

Lessons from Korah

- God works in complicated relationships.
- We can convince ourselves the good cause is worth our bad decision.
- The big picture is worth more than that small moment.
- "We cannot embrace God's forgiveness if we are so busy clinging to past wounds and nursing old grudges." - TD Jakes
- God is never okay with you using people to advance your agenda.