

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: November 30, 2022
2 Samuel 3:1-21

1. What happened in our last Bible Study in 2 Samuel 2?
 - a. David inquired of the Lord and by the decree of God went with his men to live in Hebron.
 - b. The men of Judah came to Hebron and anointed David king over the tribe of Judah.
 - c. Abner, the commander of Saul's armies, took Ish-Bosheth son of Saul to Mahahaim and made him king over the rest of Israel.
 - d. Abner and Ish-bosheth's army went to war against Joab and David's army.

2. What do we learn in 2 Samuel 3:1-5?
 - a. The war between the house of Saul and the house of David lasted a long time.
 - b. David grew stronger and stronger.
 - c. The house of Saul grew weaker and weaker.
 - d. Sons were born to David in Hebron.

3. What do we learn in 2 Samuel 3:6? _____
Do you think this was Abner's plan all along? _____

4. What happens next, in 2 Samuel 3:7-11?
 - a. Ish-Bosheth accused Abner of sleeping with Saul's concubine.
 - b. Abner got angry at Ish-Bosheth over the accusation and proclaimed his loyalty to Saul's house...this was more than an accusation of sexual impropriety. This was accusation that Abner was trying to put himself in the place of Saul.
 - c. Abner responded by threatening to go over to David.
 - d. Ish-Bosheth didn't say anything else to Abner because he was afraid of him.

5. What do we learn about Abner, Ish-Bosheth, and David in verses 9-10? _____

What did Abner do in verses 12-13? _____

Why does Ish-Bosheth seem to be working with Abner in verse 15? _____

6. How did David respond, according to verse 14? _____

What happened when Michal was taken away from her husband so that she could be returned to David, according to verses 15-16? _____

7. What does Abner do next, according to verses 17-21, does Abner do next? _____

Does any of this seem to be according to the will of God? Yes _____ No _____ Explain. _____

8. Do we ever find ourselves behaving like Abner has? _____
