

David: The Regal Years
Friends in Need
2 Samuel 15–19

- I. The Crisis – A Broken King**
 - A. Personally — David was Overwhelmed in Guilt**
 - B. Domestically — His Home was Shattered**
 - C. Politically — His Authority was Shaken - 2 Samuel 15:1-14**

- II. The Companions – Faithful Friends**
 - A. Ittai — The Friend Who Stands - 2 Samuel 15:19-21**
 - B. Zadok and Abiathar — The Friends Who Serve - 2 Samuel 15:23-28**
 - C. Hushai — The Friend Who Sacrifices - 2 Samuel 15:30-34**
 - D. Shobi, Machir, and Barzillai — The Friends Who Supply - 2 Samuel 17:27-29**
 - E. Joab — The Friend Who Speaks - 2 Samuel 18:33; 2 Samuel 19:1-8**

- III. The Characteristics – Godly Friendship**
 - A. Friends Are Needed — Not Optional**
 - B. Friends Are Nurtured — Not Automatic - Proverbs 18:24**
 - C. Friends Are Influential — Never Neutral**
 - D. Friends Are Varied — Different Levels**

- IV. The Christ — The Friend Who Never Leaves**
 - A. Jesus Is the Friend Who Stays - John 15:13-15**
 - B. Jesus Is the Friend Who Sacrifices - Romans 5:8**
 - C. Jesus Is the Friend Who Saves**
 - D. Jesus Is the Friend Who Stays When Others Leave - Hebrews 13:5**

Who is your friend?

Who are your sheltering trees?

Whose sheltering tree are you?