

A Brilliant (And Not So Brilliant) Kingdom Building Strategy

2 Samuel 4

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Proverbs 1:11, 18, *"Come with us, Let us lie in wait to shed blood; Let us lurk secretly for the innocent without cause...But they lie in wait for their own blood, They lurk secretly for their own lives."*

2 Samuel 3:39, *"The Lord shall repay the evildoer according to his wickedness."*

1.) The Ambush of the Innocent (V. 1-8)

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2.) The Ambush of the Wicked (V. 9-12)

Genesis 9:6, *"Whoever sheds man's blood, By man his blood shall be shed; For in the image of God He made man"*

Proverbs 1:19, *"So are the ways of everyone who is greedy for gain; It takes away the life of its owners."*

3.) David's Brilliant Kingdom Building Strategy

Step 1: Do Nothing

Step 2: Wait For the Fulfillment of A Promise

2 Samuel 5:1-2, *"...Indeed we are your bone and your flesh. 2 Also, in time past, when Saul was king over us, you were the one who led Israel out and brought them in..."*

2 Samuel 5:12, *"So David knew that the LORD had established him as king over Israel, and that He had exalted His kingdom for the sake of His people Israel."*

Matthew 11:12, *"And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force."*

4.) Our Brilliant Kingdom Building Strategy

Step 1: We Have Been Called to Suffer

1 Peter 2:23-24, "who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously; 24 who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree."

Step 2: We Have Been Called to Love