

SHIMEI'S COSTLY MISTAKES

Scripture Reading: 2 Samuel 16:5-8

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Introduction:

1. We learn from our mistakes and the mistakes of others.
2. We can learn great lessons from the Old Testament -Ro 15:4; 1Co 10:11

I. STORY OF SHIMEI

- A. HE CURSED DAVID -2Sa 16:5-14
- B. HE SOUGHT DAVID'S MERCY -2Sa 19:18b-23
- C. DAVID'S INSTRUCTIONS TO SOLOMON -1Ki 2:8, 9
- D. SOLOMON WITH SHIMEI -1Ki 2:36-38
- E. DEATH OF SHIMEI -1Ki 2:39-46

II. COMPARISONS TO MAN TODAY:

- A. WE ALL SIN AND FALL SHORT OF GOD'S GLORY
 1. Stated by Paul -Ro 3:23; 6:23
 2. Stated by John -1Jn 1:8-10
- B. WE ALL STAND IN NEED OF GOD'S GRACE
- C. WE MUST MEET THE CONDITIONS

III. WHAT DRAWS MAN AWAY FROM SAFETY?

- A. MISPLACED PRIORITIES -Ja 4:13-17
 1. There is nothing wrong with making plans.
 2. We must keep God in our plans.
- B. MISPLACED FOCUS -Mt 19:16-22
 1. We cannot take anything out -1Ti 6:6-10
 2. "He is no fool who releases that which he cannot hold on to, to lay hold of what he cannot live without"
- C. CERTAINLY, GOD WILL UNDERSTAND (MAKE EXCEPTION)
 1. God is not a respecter of persons -Ex 12:32
 2. Example of Moses:
 - a. God spoke to him as a friend -Nu 12:
 - b. He could not enter the Promised Land -Nu 20:1-ff
 3. The apostle Paul kept himself in subjection -1Co 9:24-27

Conclusion:

1. We are in the safety of the body of Christ (ie. The church)
2. As long as we remain, safety is ours and heaven will be our eternal home.
3. If we slip away, let us return while there is still time and hope!