

# kids church - 2 Samuel

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## Introduction

Can you think of a sad story that ended happy?

Can you remember who Absalom is and what he did? (If you can't remember look at last week's Kids Church or read 2 Samuel 15:13-14)

## Comprehension

### 2 Sam 15:13-14

Absalom was trying to make himself king instead of God's chosen king.

Was this the right thing to do?

What does he deserve?

### 2 Sam 18:5

What did David want his commanders to do? Why?

Was this the right thing for David to want remembering that Absalom was against God's chosen king?

David was conflicted between what he wanted and what was right.

### 2 Sam 18:9-15

What has happened?

This is a pretty humiliating way to die, did Absalom deserve to die?

Even though he went against David, was Joab doing the right thing by killing him?

### 2 Sam 18:33

When David learnt that Absalom was dead, what was his reaction?

Was this the right reaction?

Did Absalom deserve to die?

## Understanding

Can you think of another man's death that was very sad but needed?

Even though Jesus' death was sad, how was it also joyful?

How was Jesus' death necessary?

How is Jesus' death so much greater than Absalom's?

## Application

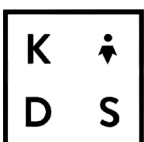
Jesus didn't just die, he came back to life!

What's more important to remember about Jesus' death, the sadness or the goodness?

What does Jesus' death mean for us? How does that make it good?

We can thank God for Jesus' death and resurrection.

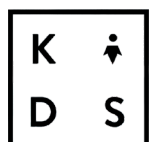
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## 2 Samuel 18:9 (CEV) Find a word.

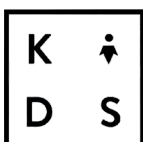
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### Fill in the Blanks \_ \_ \_ \_ , and then find the words.

Read through 2 Samuel 18:9 together. You will find the words to look for after filling in the blanks. (A CEV bible will help the best)

“ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ was \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ his \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ under a huge \_ \_ \_ \_ \_  
when his head \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ in the \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ .

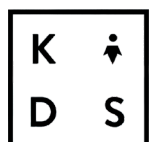
The mule ran off and left Absalom \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ in \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ .”  
(2 Samuel 18:9)



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# ABSALOM AND THE TREE...

DAVID HAD TO FLEE JERUSALEM BECAUSE HIS SON ABSALOM MADE HIMSELF KING.

DAVID'S ARMY AND ABSALOM'S ARMY PREPARED FOR BATTLE AGAINST EACH OTHER. DAVID GAVE ORDERS THAT ABSALOM WAS NOT TO BE HARMED.

DAVID'S ARMY WAS WINNING THE BATTLE BEATING ABSALOM'S TROOPS. DAVID WOULD BE KING AGAIN.

ABSALOM WAS RIDING HIS DONKEY AND AS HE WENT UNDER A TREE HIS HAIR GOT STUCK IN THE TREE AND THE DONKEY WALKED OFF LEAVING HIM HANGING.

DAVID'S SOLDIERS CAME ACROSS ABSALOM HANGING THERE AND KILLED HIM.

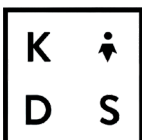
DAVID WAS SAD FOR HIS SON ALTHOUGH HIS ARMY WON THE BATTLE AND HE WAS MADE KING AGAIN.

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