SCANDALOUS

(2) Son Stabs Father

BIG IDEA...

HOW DO I HANDLE THE "SCANDALOUS" MOMENTS OF MY LIFE?

IS IT POSSIBLE THAT MANY OF THE MOMENTS THAT TURNED OUT BAD IN MY LIFE – MIGHT HAVE BEEN BECAUSE OF MY RESPONSE TO BAD LEADERSHIP IN MY LIFE?

2 Samuel 15:1-4...

In the course of time, Absalom provided himself with a chariot and horses and with fifty men to run ahead of him. He would get up early and stand by the side of the road leading to the city gate. Whenever anyone came with a complaint to be placed before the king for a decision, Absalom would call out to him, "What town are you from?" He would answer, "Your servant is from one of the tribes of Israel." 3 Then Absalom would say to him, "Look, your claims are valid and proper, but there is no representative of the king to hear you." 4 And Absalom would add, "If only I were appointed judge in the land! Then everyone who has a complaint or case could come to me and I would see that he gets justice."

DAVID IS KING... BECAUSE GOD MADE HIM KING!

DAVID HAS ONE COMPELLING ATTRIBUTE...
HE WAS MAN – AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART!

POSITIONAL AUTHORITY

GOD ALWAYS... ALWAYS... ALWAYS... WORKS THROUGH OUR LEADERS!

GOD ALWAYS... ALWAYS... ALWAYS... WORKS THROUGH AUTHORITY!

2 Samuel 16:20-23...

Absalom said to Ahithophel, "Give us your advice. What should we do?" "Give us your advice. What should we do?" Ahithophel answered, "Lie with your father's concubines whom he left to take care of the palace. Then all Israel will hear that you have made yourself a stench in your father's nostrils, and the hands of everyone with you will be strengthened." 22 So they pitched a tent for Absalom on the roof, and he lay with his father's concubines in the sight of all Israel. Now in those days the advice Ahithophel gave was like that of one who inquires of God. That was how both David and Absalom regarded all of Ahithophel's advice.

YOUR GOD – MY GOD... IS BIGGER THAN – STRONGER THAN – SMARTER THAN... YOUR MOM – YOUR DAD and YOUR SUPERVISOR!!