

ABSALOM'S



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2 SAMUEL 15

In the course of time, Absalom provided himself with a chariot and horses and with fifty men to run ahead of him. ² 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.”



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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 they receive justice.”



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5 Also, whenever anyone approached him to bow down before him, Absalom would reach out his hand, take hold of him and kiss him. 6 Absalom behaved in this way toward all the Israelites who came to the king asking for justice, and so he stole the hearts of the people of Israel.



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SATAN WANTS TO STEAL YOUR HEART



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SATAN IS WAITING FOR YOU



1 PETER 5

8 Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.



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SATAN WANTS TO CUT YOU OFF FROM THE KING



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YOUR RESPONSE?

GET TO THE KING!



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**SATAN TRIES TO
CONVINCE YOU
GOD DOES NOT
CARE ABOUT
YOUR STRUGGLES**



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YOUR RESPONSE?

**LAY YOUR LIFE
DOWN BEFORE
THE KING**



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SATAN WILL OFFER WHAT SEEMS LIKE THE BETTER OPTION

Better almost always equals "convenient"



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YOUR RESPONSE?

**DENY YOURSELF
TAKE UP YOUR CROSS
FOLLOW JESUS**



JAMES 1

13 When tempted, no one should say, “God is tempting me.” For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone; 14 but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed. 15 Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.

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