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DAILY DEVOTIONAL

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SHOW EMPATHY

SCRIPTURAL REFERENCE
II Samuel 16:5-8

ADDITIONAL STUDY
Job 16:1-5;20-21
Mathew 7:1-2
Galatians 6:2.

PRAYER

Genuinely intercede for those connected to you & presently going through a rough patch in one area of their lives or the other. Ask that God will strengthen them, and that they will receive the requisite wisdom to overcome and be victorious.

Repent where you have made condemning comments to such a person around you.

The Lord has brought upon you all the blood of the house of Saul, in whose place you have reigned; and the Lord has delivered the kingdom into the hand of Absalom your son. So now you are caught in your own evil, because you are a bloodthirsty man! - I Samuel 16:8

It is interesting how people can conclude on why a person is going through what they are going through. We become judges and interpreters of the seasons and events of people's lives, when in actual sense, we have no clue about what's happening between them and God.

Here, Shimei concluded that David was being punished by God for his actions against the house of Saul and his reigning in Saul's stead. Firstly, David had no hand in the death of Saul or Jonathan his son. Secondly, God Himself judged Saul, and if anything, He was glad that David reigned in place of Saul.

We should be sensitive to people's plight; rather than judge or condemn them because they are going through a rough patch in life, we should learn to be quiet and pray for them and not be quick, like Job's friends, to jump into conclusions about why they are going through what they are going through. It only hurts more than it soothes.

Put yourself in their shoes, how will you like people to treat you when you are having a bumpy ride in the road of life? Think about this and do likewise. Remember, What you can't feel, you can't heal.

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