OPEN YOUR BIBLE



2 Samuel 15-16



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Psalm 3 A Psalm of David When He Fled from Absalom His Son. I Lord, how they have increased who trouble me! Many are they who rise up against me. 2 Many are they who say of me, "There is no help for him in God." Selah 3 But You, O Lord, are a shield for me, My glory and the One who lifts up my head.



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3 For You have been a shelter for me, A strong tower from the enemy. 4 I will abide in Your tabernacle forever; I will trust in the shelter of Your wings. Selah



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The first one to plead his cause seems right, Until his neighbor comes and examines him. **Proverbs 18:17**



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He who answers a matter before he hears it, It is folly and shame to him. Proverbs 18:13



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Romans 14

4 Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. Indeed, he will be made to stand, for God is able to make him stand.
5 One person esteems one day above another; another esteems every day alike. Let each be fully convinced in his own mind.



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3 O Lord my God, if I have done this: If there is iniquity in my hands,
4 If I have repaid evil to him who was at peace with me, Or have plundered my enemy without cause, 5 Let the enemy pursue me and overtake me; Yes, let him trample my life to the earth, And lay my honor in the dust. Selah

Psalm7



The willingness to listen to one's critics and even to one's enemies may be the only way to discover the truth of God. This opens the possibility that we may do well at times to listen to people who wish us harm but tell us the truth.

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