

God's Way is Best

Theme: God is near to those who obey Him, but His hand is against those who reject Him

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Scene 1 – David trusts God and is made king of Israel (1-11)

Scene 2 – Abner rejects God and incites a civil war (12-32)

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Two ways God is near to those who obey Him

1. God answers their prayers (1-3)
2. God gives them wisdom (4-7)

BUT to those who reject Him

3. God foils their plans (8-11)

Abner rejects God and incites a civil war (12-32)

Two warnings God provides to those who reject Him

1. Man's wisdom brings defeat (12-17)
2. Man's pride brings downfall (18-23)

BUT to those who obey God

3. God gives success (2:24-3:1)

Conclusion:

- 1 – Pray that God's will would be done
- 2 – Submit to His wisdom
- 3 – Trust God