

SERMON TOPIC: SHAMMAH

2 Samuel 23 v 11 - 12

¹¹ And after him *was* Shammah the son of Agee the Hararite. The Philistines had gathered together into a troop where there was a piece of ground full of lentils. So the people fled from the Philistines. ¹² But he stationed himself in the middle of the field, defended it, and killed the Philistines. So the LORD brought about a great victory.

KEY POINTS

It is important that we look at the meaning of names in this scripture: SHAMMAH was the son of AGEE. AGEE means Fugitive. In other words, Shammah was the son of a fugitive. Shammah means loss, ruin & desolation.

Lets' be honest, Nothing good can possibly come from a son of a fugitive, whose name means RUIN, LOSS & DESOLATION.

Now let's look at the person named Shammah

2 Samuel 23 speaks about Davids mighty men. These were a group of highly trained soldiers who fought with David. Among these men is Shammah.

SHAMMAH is described for us a man who took a stand against overwhelming odds and won a great victory with the help of the Lord. The Bible tells us that the Philistines attacked the people of God. When they came, all the people ran away. All, that is, except one man named Shammah, who took his stand in a field of lentils, and won a great victory.

What does lentils symbolize?

Legumes, including beans, peas and **lentils**, are considered to be symbolic of money, and thus considered prosperity and favour. The fact that they swell up when soaked in water also extends the analogy that the prosperity grows with time.

So, we can conclude that if these people were driven out from their land, they would have been homeless. Shammah fought for peoples' present and future. He fought for their businesses, their families and their jobs.

Where are you?

The enemy is still attacking the people of God just as he did through the Philistines. And, just like it was then, people are still fleeing from the scene of the battle. The battle for your:

MIND, FAMILY, MARRIAGE, CHILDREN, CALLING, CAREER, CHURCH

If they were driven out of that field, it would have brought about Ruin, Loss & Desolation

Shammah fought against what his name means.

People are abandoning their calling and choosing to flee rather than fight. Where do stand? Are you willing to stand idly by while the enemy ransacks YOU and all you hold dear?

Or, like Shammah, are you willing to take your stand with God, because when Jehovah was with Shammah in that field it '...brought about a great victory.

SUMMARY

SHAMMAH means RUIN, LOSS & DESOLATION.

Your name does not define you, because when you add God to you name, things change.

JEHOVAH SHAMMAH means GOD IS THERE.

