

## II SAMUEL 10; April 25; Why the Ammonites Stank

### ANALYSIS:

1. What was David's motive in sending his servants to visit Hanun the new king of Ammon? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Who slandered David regarding the reason he had sent his servants to visit Hanun? \_\_\_\_\_
3. In what shameful way did Hanun abuse David's servants?  
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4. When the children of Ammon saw that they stank before David, who did they hire to fight for them? \_\_\_\_\_
5. In the two battles against the Syrians, who led Israel in each battle?  
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### THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

David's good will and appropriate act of compassion toward Hanun the Ammonite was purposefully misrepresented by Hanun's counselors. Not every act of kindness you do will be reported in a true light. There are some people who will seek to question and slander your motive. They will not care what harm they may do to your reputation. Forget them and their false accusations; and go ahead in your service as to the LORD. "O LORD, Thou hast searched me, and known me" (Ps 139:1). Thank You, LORD, for knowing the truth about me and my efforts to serve you!

David sought to "comfort" the son of his former friend. Do you invest time, money and effort to seek to be a comforter like David?

### HELP:

1. David was showing kindness to Hanun after the death of his father (v 2).
2. The princes of the children of Ammon (v 3).
3. He shaved off half of their beards and cut off their garments at their buttocks (v 4).
4. The Syrians of Bethrehob, the Syrians of Zoba, men of King Maacah, and men of Ishtob (v 6).
5. The first battle was led by Joab (vs 7, 13), the second battle was led by David (vs 17-18).