

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. Think of a time you tried to fix a mistake or a broken relationship your own way. What happened?
2. David brings Absalom home but refuses to see him (v24). Why can a half-done reconciliation end up worse than none at all? Is there anywhere you're doing the same?
3. Joab's scheme is clever, but it's still manipulation. What "clever fixes" do we reach for when dealing with our own sin e.g. keeping busy, doing good things to try to balance it out, hiding it, explaining it away?
4. Verse 14 says God "devises means so that the banished one will not remain an outcast." How does the cross do what David couldn't, dealing justly with sin and bringing us fully home? What difference should that make to how you handle guilt or conflict this week?

NOTICES

PRAYER MEETING

*Join us to pray for our church, community, and the world at **4 PM** **Wednesday** in the church lounge.*

YOUTH NIGHT

*Our next HBC Youth Night is **7 PM Friday**! All high school kids are welcome.*

WOMEN IN THE WORD

*Our women's Bible study is **10 AM Saturday** in the church building.*

NEXT SUNDAY

*All are welcome to join us for our weekly church gathering at **10:30 AM** **next Sunday**. Dan Boshoff will be preaching from 2 Samuel 15.*



ORDER OF SERVICE

13 September, 2026

WELCOME & NOTICES

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG – Here We Stand

PRAYER

READING – 2 Samuel 14

SONGS – On A Hill Far Away | Speak Oh Lord

SERMON – 2 Samuel 14
Ray Burbank

SONGS – Nothing But The Blood |
Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

BENEDICTION

NOTES

NOTES

PRAYER POINTS

- Thank God that, through Jesus, He has made a way for us to come home.
- Confess the ways you try to fix our own sin instead of bringing it to God.
- Pray for real reconciliation in broken relationships in our church and families.