

# **SPIRITUAL JOABS**

**II Samuel 3:26-27**

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- The character of Joab is truly an enigma.
- We initially come to understand that he is David's nephew through his sister Zeruah- (I Chron. 2:15-16)
- On one hand, he shows loyalty to King David and is true to his cause.
- On the other hand, he was quick to do whatever he wanted and had no problem acting contrary to the King's wishes if he felt it was needed or convenient for him.



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- There are many people in the religious world today who are a lot like Joab.
- Sadly, even at times within the body of Christ, we see this type of mentality.
- So, what makes a “spiritual Joab”?
- Today, we will observe three approaches to the king’s word by Joab that are common now.

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- *I am a spiritual Joab when.....*

**I ACKNOWLEDGE THE KING BUT  
REFUSE TO DO HIS WILL**

- **II Sam. 12:27-29**
- **Matt. 7:21-23**
- **I John 2:4**



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- It made sense to have the traitor put to death.
- Many today defy God's commands because it doesn't make sense to them.

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- II Kings 5
- Gen. 6
- Gen. 22



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**I ACKNOWLEDGE THE KING BUT  
PURSUE MY OWN AGENDA**

- II Sam. 19:12-14
- II Sam. 20:9-10
- He was more concerned about his position than the king's decision.

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- **Are we a “spiritual Joab”?**
- **Notice what happened to him- I Kings 2:1-6, 29-34.**
- **And be aware that the king’s word prevailed.**
- **Be reminded that the King of Kings’ word will always prevail.**