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Recap of 4/12/26 message by Joe Ricchuiti
("How to Save a Kingdom") 2 Samuel 19:8b-39

1. In 2 Samuel 19:8b-39, David gives us a paradigm for reconciling relationships (marriage, church, workplace or family conflicts). In David's case, it's restoring a badly damaged Kingdom.

2. David was able to heal the wounds of the nation by:

-Not allowing his past failures to paralyze him. Humbling himself before God he pressed on to do what God placed before him (Philippians 2:12-14).

-Taking a positive attitude, making a fresh start.

-Seeking reconciliation with those who opposed him.

-Putting the good of God's kingdom above his own feelings.

-keeping the main thing, the main thing, not letting personal jealousy or pride interfere.

3. These steps can help in any broken relationship.

4. "It is impossible to put the clock back in life; but with care and effort, and above all with God's help, mistakes are not beyond all remedy. It is Always right to take a positive attitude and to try to make a fresh start, even if the new will never be as splendid as the old."
(Payne)

5. Applied to marriage, David's paradigm would look like this:

-Don't keep bringing up the past.

- Give your marriage over to God, be positive, make a fresh start.

-Be conciliatory – seek reconciliation, be forgiving.

-Put God's will and His Word above your own desires. Do the things that are loving and feelings of love will return.