

## Cast of Characters in 2 Samuel Chapters 9 - 15

<b>Character</b>	<b>Meaning</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Reference</b>
<b>David</b>	"Favorite" or "Beloved"	Maybe the most important of the kings. Ancestor of Jesus; "author" of Psalms; king of Israel and Judah; great warrior; mentioned 54 times in the New Testament	1:1 ff
Ziba	"branch"	Servant of Saul becomes Meribbaal's	9:1-2
Meribbaal (Mephibosheth)	?	Only surviving son of Jonathan	9:6
Joab	"Yahweh is father"	David's General	2:13 ff
Abishai	"father exists"	Brother of Joab; nephew of David	2:24 ff
<b>Bathsheba</b>	?	Beautiful object of David's lust; mother of Solomon	11:3
Uriah	"fire of Yah"	Husband of Bathsheba; a Hittite	11:3
<b>Nathan</b>	"gift"	<b>Prophet serving David</b>	12:1 ff
<b>Solomon</b>	?	First surviving son of David and Bathsheba	12:24
Jedidiah	"Yah's darling"	Name God told David to give to Solomon	12:25
Tamar	"date palm"	Daughter of David	13:1 ff
Amnon	"trustworthy"	David's firstborn (Ahinoam)	13:1 ff
Absalom	"father of peace"	David's third son (Maacah)	13:20 f
Ittai	"with God"	Gittite (from Gath) Philistine loyal to David	
Zadok	"righteous"	Priest loyal to David	15:35
Abiathar	"father of abundance"	Priest loyal to David	15:35