



From Brother Wilson Musesha

Dear Community Care Group Leader; I greet you in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ

TRANSFORMATION: Maintaining the fruits of Transformation

Foundational Scripture: – II Sam 3: 33-34

Why did Abner die as a Fool?

Maintaining our Faith in this present age must always be the primary desire of a Transformed Christian. Transformation is of no essence if we cannot maintain it. Hence our lesson draws from a life of Abner, to see how we do not allow ourselves to face something similar.

1. Introduction:

- Abner was a Commander of the Armies of Israel. I Sam 14:50 ; I Sam 17:55
- As commander, he was well trained to understand the schemes of the Enemy
- Discuss what similarities you can find between a Commander in the Army and the Believer as found in Lk 10:19; Mk 16: and II Tim 2:4
- A fool is a person who does not follow rules (Discuss).

2. Things that went wrong with Abner

- He was serving King Saul whom God had rejected 1Samuel 15:22-23. When King Saul dies, he goes and anoints his son Ishbosheth to be king II Sam 2:8 (discuss the dangers of serving things not approved by God)
- He starts to fight his brethren (House of King Saul and house of David fighting though both were Israelis) II Sam 2:12-17. What is the danger Christians find themselves in when they engage in a "civil war" with themselves?
- He gets involved with women (giving heed to worldly lusts) II Sam 3: 7. He lost focus and thus left the job he was doing. Sin does cause Christians to lose focus and consequently lose position. Discuss
- He agreed to walk out of the City of refuge (Hebron) when he was lured by his Pursuer to come out for a "private conversation" II Sam 3:27
- The enemy wasted no time in killing him soon he went outside the Safe place.

3. HOW NOT TO BE SUCH FOOL

- Accept Jesus Christ Ps 14:1. A fool says in his heart there is no God.
- Live your present life according to the Rules: Ephesians 5:15-16, Tit 2:11-12
- Live at Peace with All men Hebrews 12:14; Rom 14:18.

4. Follow-up questions

- What did you learn from Sunday's message?
- Are you praying for each other?