## Lesser-known Heroes of the Bible Hushai and Barzillai

## HUSHAI: II Sam. 15:32-17:16

- ◆He wished to flee with David but risks his life to be a deceptive counselor to Absalom and lead a team of spies for David.
- ◆He persuades Absalom to reject Ahithophel's better advice for his own advice, which will allow David to escape and regroup.

## BARZILLAI: II Sam. 17:27-29

- What risk did he and the others with him take by choosing to be loyal to David instead of Absalom?
- ◆He and others with him are determined to feed and sustain David and those with him. For Mahanaim, see II Sam. 2:8,9.

## The rewards for risking their lives to save King David:

Hushai: I Kgs. 4:16,

Barzillai: II Sam. 19:31-38

Consider some parallels here with the Christian life.

Consider how many different ways one can be heroic.

