Ahithophel's vs. Hushai's advice in 2 Samuel 16.15-17.14

Element	Ahithophel	Hushai
Focus	Self: first person singular used seven times	David and his men: twelve references
Style	Linear, unembellished	Flowery, repetitive, contingent
How David is addressed	As "David" or "king"	As "your father"
Proposed personnel	12,000 men gathered around Ahithophel	All Israel gathered around Absalom
Proposed outcome	Ahithophel will strike down only the king and all the others will flee and there will be *shalom*	"We will find him" and neither he nor any with him shall "remain", not even one
Problems with their advice	1. How could he choose 12,000 soldiers and pursue David "tonight"? 2. How will he know where to find David? 3. What if David isn't "weary" or "slack-handed"? 4. What if the approach doesn't create a "panic"? 5. What if the people don't run away? 6. What if the people don't want to "return"?	1. What if David is not "bitter"? 2. What if David is in "one of the other places" or can't be found? 3. Why would "our" soldiers be more scared than "their" soldiers? 4. How will he gather "all Israel…from Dan to Beer-sheba" in a short time? 5. What if "all Israel" won't go? 6. If David hides in a city, what if the city people protect him?