



THE BOOK OF samuel



Week 28: David Spares Saul's Life Again & Hides Again

Read 1 Samuel 26:1-3a

1. When David spares Saul's life in ch. 24, Saul seems to realize and come to terms with David's destiny. Why then is Saul pursuing David again?

Answer:

Read 1 Samuel 26:3b-12

2. For a second time, David is advised by his men to kill Saul while he has the chance. These words are likely more tempting the second time. David says no one should hurt the Lord's anointed. Why do you think David believes this so strongly?

Answer:

3. How do you think the incident with Nabal in the previous chapter affected David's decision to spare Saul?

Answer:

Read 1 Samuel 26:13-25

4. In David's conversations, he has two big issues he addresses. What are his issues with Abner and Saul, respectively?

Abner:

Saul:

Read 1 Samuel 27:1-4

5. Saul has just admitted to his guilt and foolishness, repented, and promised not to harm David. So why is David fleeing to enemy territory?

Answer:

Read 1 Samuel 27:5-12

6. David has killed tens of thousands of Philistines. Why on earth is the king of Gath being so hospitable? Remember why the king of Moab was so hospitable to David?

Answer:

7. David seems to be killing quite a lot of people without God's command or approval. We've learned last week that waging war outside of God's command is just mass murder. Why is David behaving this way?

Answer:



Jezreel

Mount Gilboa

ISRAEL

PHILISTIA

Gath

JUDAH

Ziklag

Ziph

KENITES

NEGEB

AMALEK

GESHUR

SHUR