



1 Samuel 23: In the Lord's Hand

Read 1 Samuel 23:1-14

1. What do David's words and actions show us about the kind of leader he is becoming?

Read 1 Samuel 23:15-18

2. How does Jonathan help David?
3. ***Is there someone you can strengthen in the Lord this week? What will you do?***

Read 1 Samuel 23:19-29

4. How is David saved from Saul's hand?
5. Notice that lots of other people can find David (22:1-2,20, 23:1,16) but Saul can't. Why is this?

Throughout this chapter, we repeatedly read of people being given (delivered or surrendered) into someone else's hand.

6. Use the following verses to consider the experience of Jesus.
 - a. In what ways does David's experience foreshadow that of Jesus?
 - b. In what ways does Jesus' experience differ from David's?

First read John 7:25, 30, 44; 10:39; 11:57

Then read Luke 9:44; Matthew 17:22-23; 26:45; Acts 4:27-28

Finally read Luke 23:46

7. ***Consider the promise Jesus makes in John 10:27-29 to those who follow him. If you really believe this promise, are there ways you can be more bold in living out your faith?***

Bonus:

Do you wonder how David felt when the Ziphites betrayed him to Saul? Read Psalm 54 to find out.