1 Samuel 25-31 (Lesson 4/14/21)

Chapter 25

Why was Nabal's wife Abigail hospitable to David and his men after Nabal was hurling insults to them?

How can we emulate the interventions made by Abigail in situations where we are not in authority?

Chapter 26

See foreshadowing of grace to be given to David just as he gave grace repeatedly to Saul. (v. 21-23)

Chapter 27

Compare the first deceitful action David imposed on Achish (acting like a madman) to the second meeting (David lying about his military raids).

Chapter 28

Why did Saul drive out mediums and spiritualists only to immediately turn to one for conjuring up a "helping spirit"? Was this spirit of God?

Chapter 29

What did Ashish mean by saying "as surely as the Lord lives" (v. 6) when swearing his allegiance to David?

Chapter 30

Discuss the significance of the ephod (Ex. 28:4) and David's ability to communicate directly with God. How was David's army restored to him again?

Chapter 31

Compare the confused *disobedience* of Saul versus the *dedication* of Samuel to God.

Does obedience to God guarantee a trouble-free life?