

LESSONS FROM THE WILDERNESS

I Samuel 23

For whatever was written in earlier times was written for our instruction, so that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. Romans 15:4

Then David said to Abiathar: ...I am responsible for the death of your father's whole family. 1 Samuel 22:22

David, after he had served the purpose of God in his own generation, fell asleep, Acts 13:36

Point: God wasn't _____ with David and He's not _____ with _____

Everyone who was in distress, and everyone who was in debt, and everyone who was discontented gathered to him; and he became captain over them. Now there were about four hundred men with him. 1 Samuel 22:2

How to Hear God Speak:

1. Begin with an _____ (vs.1-2)

2. Make _____ to Listen

And He came out and proceeded as was His custom to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples also followed Him. Luke 22:39

but the worries of this life, the deceitfulness of wealth and the desires for other things come in and choke the word, making it unfruitful. Mark 4:19

3. Let God give you a _____ (vs.2-4)

4. Decide to _____ with what God says (v.5)

(vs.6-7)

But one son of Ahimelech(the Priest) the son of Ahitub, named Abiathar, escaped and fled after David. 1 Samuel 22:20

"Moreover, he shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who shall inquire for him by the judgment of the Urim before the LORD. At his command they shall go out and at his command they shall come in, both he and the sons of Israel with him, even all the congregation." Numbers 27:21 (NASB)

When Saul inquired of the LORD, the LORD did not answer him, either by dreams or by Urim or by prophets. 1 Samuel 28:6

David Discerns God's will by something _____

Saul Discerns by the _____

(v.13)

You can be in the _____ of God's _____ and still be in _____

(v.14)

David is both _____ and _____ at the same time

(vs.15-18)

**David is encouraged but his SITUATION
doesn't CHANGE immediately.**