

A WISER AND BOLDER DAVID

1 Samuel 26:1-25

Key verse 23

Discussion questions:

- What do you find about David's spiritual growth and maturity from the last couple of chapters?
- How can faith in God make us more confident and bold in this world?

Inductive study questions:

1. Who once again sent a report to Saul about David, and where else have we read about them? (1; 23:19-20) How could the Ziphites have contributed to Saul's resumed pursuit of David? Describe Saul's encampment. (3-5)
2. What did David ask a volunteer to do, and who volunteered? (6) What did Abishai want to do to Saul, and what did David say? (7-11) What is David's point in verse 10? What did David do instead? (12) How different is this event from the previous time David spare's Saul life in chapter 24? Whom did David then address, and what was his charge against him? (13-16) Why?
3. What was David's question to Saul? (17-18) What agony does David express? (19) How does David reveal his humility in what Saul is doing? (20)
4. What confession did Saul make? What fruit did Saul's repentance produce? (21) What reward was David seeking? (22-24) What words of blessing does Saul give to David? (25-26)