

GOD'S HELP IN THE ENEMY CAMP

1 Samuel 27:1 - 28:2

Key verse: 27:1

Discussion questions

- Think about how David's faith imperfect and yet how God showed his faithfulness?
- What kind of decisions are we led to make when our faith is weak?

Inductive study questions

1. What did David decide to do? (1) Why would he think this way? (Did David think Saul would no longer come after him? (cf. 26:21)) Where and to whom did he go? (2) When had he previously gone there? (1Sa 21:10-14) Whom did David and his men take? (3) What difficulties would this involve? What did Saul do as a result? (4)
2. What request did David make of Achish? (5) Why might he ask this? How did Achish respond? (6) How long did David live there? (7) How might David have felt by being able to settle down in one place?
3. Against whom did David fight? What did he do to the people and their property? (8-9) What do we know about the people David he raided? How was this fulfilling God's mission for God's people? What did he tell Achish and what did Achish conclude? (10-12) Why didn't he tell the whole truth?
4. What expectation did Achish have of David? (28:1-2) What bind did this put David in?