

Sermon Discussion Guide - October 27, 2024 Plot Twists - David, part 2

This week, Pastor Mark shared about the young life of David. Use the following points from the sermon for discussion for your group.

1. Scripture Review

- o Read 1 Samuel 18
- What stands out to you in this passage?
- Pastor Mark talked about how David framed his life with wisdom. How do you understand what wisdom is and how it is practiced?

2. King Saul was jealous of David's success and tried to have him killed.

- Where does jealousy come from? How is bitterness related to jealousy? What is the "cure" for jealousy?
- Describe a time in your life where you battled jealousy and how you overcame it.

3. One could assume that the more Saul opposed David, David may have wondered if God's blessings were removed from him.

- Have you ever experienced ongoing hardship or attack and felt like God had forgotten about you; or that you were stuck in the wilderness and couldn't see God's plan? Describe that situation.
- 4. Pastor Mark gave us 4 lessons from 1 Samuel 19-31.
 - Covenants pre-make our decisions. What is the benefit of being resolved on how you will think and act when you face certain situations?
 - David showed a heart of loyalty. Why is loyalty important? What happens when someone is disloyal?
 - Even when shown goodness, some people will turn on you for the sake of their own good. What would be a godly, wise way to respond to a person like this?
 - Don't try to be God if you want God to fight for you. What do we have to remember and practice to allow God to fight for us?
- 5. How can your group pray for and support you in light of today's discussion?