

"Historical Books Of The Bible"
1 Samuel 26:1-25
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1 Samuel 26:6-12

1 Samuel 16-31 – The Rise Of David

1 Samuel 21-31 – Saul Exiled David (David's 10 Years In Exile)

1. Verses 1-4 – Disloyalty

2. Verses 5-12 – Bravery

3. Verses 13-16 – Farce

4. Verses 17-25 – Duplicity

1. Verses 1-4 – Disloyalty:

1 Samuel 26: 1

1 Samuel 25: 1

"Ziphites" – The inhabitants of Ziph, who 2X revealed to Saul the hiding place of David. 1 Samuel 23:19; 1 Samuel 26:1

"came to Saul at Gibeah," – (traveled 25 miles North)

Psalm 54:1-7

1 Samuel 26:2

**Saul had confessed that David was righteous, 1 Samuel 24:17-22.
Now Saul is in hot pursuit!**

"Ziph" – About three miles southeast of Hebron, Judean hill country.

1 Samuel 26:3-4

2. Verses 5-12 – Bravery:

1 Samuel 26:5

"Abner" – "my father is Ner"; is Saul's commander. The son of Ner and uncle of Saul (being the brother of his father, Kish).

Psalm 18:17

1 Samuel 26:6

"Then David said to Ahimelech the Hittite" – Commander of David's army.

"Hittite" – broken down tribe – were mentioned in Abraham's time, Genesis 15:20.

"Abishai the son of Zeruah, Joab's brother," – (David's nephew through David's sister) 1 Chron. 2:16; Great warrior, 2 Sam. 23:18-19.

1 Samuel 26:12 – "because a sound sleep from the LORD had fallen on them."

1 Samuel 26:7

"his spear" – "symbol of Saul's authority and office."

1 Samuel 26:8

1 Samuel 24 – Now God is giving another chance!

David had learned from 1 Samuel 25 not to avenge himself!

Danger of basing God's will on circumstances and neglecting the Word of God. (Saul was anointed by God)

1 Samuel 26:9

1 Samuel 24:6

David rebukes Saul – 1 Samuel 24:8-15; 1 Samuel 26:14-25

1 Samuel 26:10

1 Samuel 31:3-4

1 Samuel 26:11-12

"a sound sleep from the LORD had fallen on them." – Genesis 2:21

3. Verses 13-16 – Farce:

1 Samuel 26:13-14

Verses 15-16 – David Rebukes Abner

Example in the NT under Roman guard: Acts 16:27

4. Verses 17-25 – Duplicity:

1 Samuel 26: 17

"David said, 'It is my voice, my lord the king.'" – Saul's daughter Michal was no longer David's wife, 1 Samuel 25: 44, so David was no longer son-in-law.

1 Samuel 26: 18

"Or what evil is in my hand?" – Only thing evil in David's hand was Saul's spear!

1 Samuel 26: 19

Romans 12: 17-19

1 Samuel 26: 20-21

"Then Saul said, 'I have sinned.'" This is confession, to agree with God – The next step is repentance – turning from the sin. It is a U-turn. Faith towards God – to place our faith and trust in God.

Confession of sin, repentance, and faith towards God; All we can go by is the fruit of repentance, Matthew 3:7-9.

Saul is getting sentimental again, 1 Samuel 24: 17.

"I have played the fool" – "to do foolish things, to be silly"; to rebel against God and think we will get away with it, or when one sins and thinks he can get away with it!

1 Samuel 26: 22-23

2 Corinthians 5: 10

1 Samuel 26: 24

Last Word's Of David To Saul: "so may my life be highly valued in the sight of the LORD, and may He deliver me from all distress."

1 Samuel 26: 25

Last Word's Of Saul To David: "Then Saul said to David, "Blessed are you, my son David;"

Application:

1. God's Ultimate Weapon Is Love. Don't Have Enemies In Your Life, Don't Fight Back When People Hurt You, Forgive Them.
2. We Hurt Ourselves When We Play The Fool And Fight Against Those Who Are Making Life Difficult For Us. Surrender Your Desire For Revenge To The Lord, Romans 12:19 – "VENGEANCE IS MINE, I WILL REPAY," says the Lord.