

David 3 Consequences – From Hero to Zero

1. Recap from last time
 1. David is bringing supplies for his brothers who are in the war 1 Sam 17
 2. Everyone is petrified because of the Giant Goliath and Saul has promised all sorts for anyone who kills him
 3. David says Goliath is no worse than other enemies he has faced on the hill side when looking after sheep
 4. David reminds them that they are on the side of the living God so should not be worried
 5. David gets 5 stones and kills Goliath with his sling - The Philistines are then slaughtered by the army. It is generally estimated that David was 17 when this happened, and becomes the star of the day.
2. Psalm 59 – God is David's shield and fortress providing protection from the enemy - written at this time.
3. So the Story continues
 1. 1 Sam 18 1-4 2 interesting points here – David joins the Royal Household v2 and becomes friendly with Jonathan Saul's son – Q Why could Jonathan not want to be David's friend?
 2. 1 Sam 18 5-9 – David had become the idol of the day. Saul was not amused
 3. 1 Sam 18 10-11 Q What was Saul trying to do?
 4. 1 Sam 18 12-15 – David become more successful as a commander
4. Next Saul's scheming plans by making use of his daughter and following up his promise given when killing Goliath. Saul sets the bridal price David has to pay as 100 Philistine foreskins, thinking that he will be killed in the process of collecting them, and we will pick the story up at
 1. 1 Sam 18 26 -28 David marries Saul's daughter Michal (a sort of consultation prize)
 2. 1 Sam 18 29-30 David's fame as the army commander continues to rise
5. Saul's next plan to kill David
 1. 1 Sam 19 1-7 Jonathan saves David this time
6. From here on in David loses 5 areas of security in his life Q need to look for them
 1. 1 Sam 19 8-10 First attempt
 2. 1 Sam 19 11-16 Second attempt
7. So David's wife Michal gets told off and David then flees to Samuel at Ramah, and

we pick up the story from there

1. 1 Sam 19 17-24 Q What was happening to Saul's men? Q What happened to Saul? – Saul being naked implied that God was king and earthly authority had been removed.
8. As Saul now knows where he is he has to move on, so he goes and finds Jonathan to ask him what is going on.
 1. 1 Sam 20 1-4
 2. 1 Sam 20 5-11 Q Does v8 imply that David had stopped trusting Jonathan? (How can Jonathan not have known what his father was doing)
 3. 1 Sam 20 12-17 ; 1 Sam 20 18-23 ; 1 Sam 20 24-29; 1 Sam 20 30-34; 1 Sam 20 35-40; 1 Sam 20 41-42. Q Is it right that David leaves the king's court?
 4. Q Can we identify the 2 types of anger being shown here – Unrighteous anger of Saul (self defiance and frustration) Righteous anger of Jonathan as a result of the injustice of the situation
 5. Q Considering Jonathan's loyalty to David why did God not choose him as king to replace Saul after all he would have been the natural successor?
9. The final downward process for David. He now flees to Ahimelech the priest. (Ahimelech was probably Eli's great grandson and brother to Ahijah Saul's personal priest.) He avoids Samuel's home as this was probably the first place that Saul would have looked for David at.
 1. 1 Sam 21 1-4
 2. Matthew 12 1-8 (Jesus's reference to this)
 3. 1 Sam 21 5-6 – We will hear about David's no sex when on duty rule again when we meet Bathsheba.
 4. 1 Sam 21 7-9 Q How desperate was David getting?
10. David then goes to Gath – Q Where/what was at Gath?
 1. 1 Sam 21 10-15. So David even gets thrown out of Gath
 2. Q In wartime should Christians always tell the truth or is it OK to deceive the enemy to save lives?
11. To recap the key areas of security that David lost were.
 1. Army position,
 2. Wife & home,
 3. Friendship with Jonathan
 4. His band of followers
 5. Dignity – feigning insanity

