

FIRST SAMUEL STUDY

CHAPTER 19:1-24

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INTRODUCTION

to the text

1 Samuel 19:1-24

1.)

1 Now Saul spoke to Jonathan his son and to all his servants, that they should kill David; but Jonathan, Saul's son, delighted greatly in David. 2 So Jonathan told David, saying, "My father Saul seeks to kill you. Therefore please be on your guard until morning, and stay in a secret place and hide. 3 "And I will go out and stand beside my father in the field where you are, and I will speak with my father about you. Then what I observe, I will tell you."

The Character of Saul

The Character of Jonathan

Insecure Jealousy and Authority = A Disaster in Waiting

4 Thus Jonathan spoke well of David to Saul his father, and said to him, "Let not the king **sin against** his servant, against David, **because** (#1) he has not sinned against you, and (#2) **because** his works have been very good toward you. 5 (#3) "**For** he took his life in his hands **and** (#4) killed the Philistine, **and** (#5) the LORD brought about a great deliverance for all Israel. (#6) **You saw it and rejoiced**. Why then will you sin against innocent blood, to kill David without a cause?" 6

So Saul heeded the voice of Jonathan, and Saul swore, "As the LORD lives, he shall not be killed." 7 Then Jonathan called David, and Jonathan told him all these things. So Jonathan brought David to Saul, and he was in his presence as in times past.

2.)

8 And there was war again; and David went out and fought with the Philistines, and struck them with a mighty blow, and they fled from him.

(God's Hand Obviously Upon David)

WHEN RIGHTEOUSNESS ADVANCES

EVIL WILL NOT BE FAR BEHIND

9 Now the distressing spirit from the LORD came upon Saul **as** he sat in his house with his spear in his hand.

(Saul wasn't doing his nails – he had opened a door of evil)

And David was playing music with his hand. 10 Then Saul sought to pin David to the wall with the spear, but he slipped away from Saul's presence; and he drove the spear into the wall. So David fled and escaped that night.

THIS BEGINS A FUGITIVE RUN BY DAVID

THAT WILL LAST 10 LONG AND LONELY YEARS...

Our "Fugitive Faith" Experiences

James 1:2-8

My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, 3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. 4 But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing. 5 If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. 6 But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. 7 For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; 8 he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

Our "Fugitive Faith" Experiences

it's those backside of the desert things of life

3.)

11 Saul also sent messengers to David's house to watch him and to kill him in the morning. And Michal, David's wife, told him, saying, "If you do not save your life tonight, tomorrow you will be killed." 12 So Michal let David down through a window. And he went and fled and escaped. 13 And Michal took an image (idol) and laid it in the bed, put a cover of goats' hair for his head, and covered it with clothes. 14 So when Saul sent messengers to take David, she said, "He is sick." 15 Then Saul sent the messengers back to see David, saying, "Bring him up to me in the bed, that I may kill him." 16 And when the messengers had come in, there was the image in the bed, with a cover of goats' hair for his head. 17 Then Saul said to Michal, "Why have you deceived me like this, and sent my enemy away, so that he has escaped?" And Michal answered Saul, "**He said to me, 'Let me go! Why should I kill you?'**"

What a Liar she is, Just like Saul her dad

Note:
Just How Stupid Saul Looks in His Tirade

When The Flesh Panics

It Looks So Stupid – But it can be so Mean...

4.)

18 So David fled and escaped, and went to Samuel at Ramah, and told him all that Saul had done to him. And he and Samuel went and stayed in Naioth. 19 Now it was told Saul, saying, "Take note, David is at Naioth in Ramah!" 20 Then Saul sent messengers to take David. And when they saw the group of prophets prophesying, and Samuel standing as leader over them, the Spirit of God came upon the messengers of Saul, and they also prophesied. 21 And when Saul was told, he sent other messengers, and they prophesied likewise. Then Saul sent messengers again the third time, and they prophesied also. 22 Then he also went to Ramah, and came to the great well that is at Sechu. So he asked, and said, "Where are Samuel and David?" And someone said, "Indeed they are at Naioth in Ramah." 23 So he went there to Naioth in Ramah.

David's Fugitive Faith is in the Hands of God

HERE DAVID AUTHORS PSALM 59

Ps 59:1-17

1 Deliver me from my enemies, O my God; defend me from those who rise up against me. 2 Deliver me from the workers of iniquity, and save me from bloodthirsty men. 3 For look, they lie in wait for my life; the mighty gather against me, not for my transgression nor for my sin, O LORD. 4 They run and prepare themselves through no fault of mine. Awake to help me, and behold!

5 You therefore, O LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel, awake to punish all the heathen; do not be merciful to any wicked transgressors. 6 At evening they return, they growl like a dog, and go all around the city. 7 they belch with their mouth; swords are in their lips; for they say, "Who hears?" 8 But You, O LORD, shall laugh at them; you shall have all the heathen in derision.

9 I will wait for You, O You his Strength; for God is my defense; 10 My God of mercy shall come to meet me; God shall let me see my desire on my enemies. 11 Do not slay them, lest my people forget; scatter them by Your power, and bring them down, O Lord our shield. 12 For the sin of their mouth and the words of their lips, let them even be taken in their pride, and for the cursing and lying which they speak. 13 Consume them in wrath, consume them, that they may not be; and let them know that God rules in Jacob to the ends of the earth. 14 And at evening they return, they growl like a dog, and go all around the city. 15 They wander up and down for food, and howl if they are not satisfied. 16 But I will sing of Your power; yes, I will sing aloud of Your mercy in the morning; for You have been my defense and refuge in the day of my trouble. 17 To You, O my Strength, I will sing praises; for God is my defense, my God of mercy.

Then the Spirit of God was upon him (Saul) also, and he went on and prophesied until he came to Naioth in Ramah. 24 And he also stripped off his clothes (His Kingly Robes) and prophesied before Samuel in like manner, and lay down naked all that day and all that night (stripped of his kingdom). Therefore they say, "Is Saul also among the prophets?"

***Can you be a loser like Saul
and be in the school of the prophets?***

Saul was Overwhelmed by the Spirit of God

Hebrews 6:4-6

4 For it is impossible for those who were **once enlightened**, and have **tasted the heavenly gift**, and have become partakers of the Holy Spirit, 5 and have **tasted** the good word of God and the powers of the age to come, 6 if they fall away, to renew them again to repentance, since they crucify again for themselves the Son of God, and put Him to an open shame.

This is an Apostate Believer (Saul)

Luke 8:11-13

"Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. 12 "Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. 13 "But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. (Saul)