



I Samuel

Part #17 –
David & Jonathan

Friendships and Covenants

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Introduction

Key Scriptures

- And Saul spake to Jonathan his son, and to all his servants, that they should kill David. – 1 Samuel 19:1
- But Jonathan Saul's son delighted much in David: and Jonathan told David, saying, Saul my father seeketh to kill thee: now therefore, I pray thee, take heed to thyself until the morning, and abide in a secret *place*, and hide thyself: And I will go out and stand beside my father in the field where thou *art*, and I will commune with my father of thee; and what I see, that I will tell thee. – 1 Samuel 19:2,3
- And Jonathan spake good of David unto Saul his father, and said unto him, Let not the king sin against his servant, against David; because he hath not sinned against thee, and because his works *have been* to thee-ward very good: – 1 Samuel 19:4



Introduction – Cont'd

Key Scriptures

- For he did put his life in his hand, and slew the Philistine, and the LORD wrought a great salvation for all Israel: thou sawest *it*, and didst rejoice: wherefore then wilt thou sin against innocent blood, to slay David without a cause? – 1 Samuel 19:5
- So David fled, and escaped, and came to Samuel to Ramah, and told him all that Saul had done to him. And he and Samuel went and dwelt in Naioth. – 1 Samuel 19:18
- And he went thither to Naioth in Ramah: and the Spirit of God was upon him also, and he went on, and prophesied, until he came to Naioth in Ramah. – 1 Samuel 19:23
- So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him. – Isaiah 59:19



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Key Scriptures

- And the LORD spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend. And he turned again into the camp: but his servant Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, departed not out of the tabernacle. – Exodus 33:11
- With him will I speak mouth to mouth, even apparently, and not in dark speeches; and the similitude of the LORD shall he behold: wherefore then were ye not afraid to speak against my servant Moses? – Numbers 12:8
- And there arose not a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, – Deuteronomy 34:10
- Thine own friend, and thy father's friend, forsake not; neither go into thy brother's house in the day of thy calamity: *for better is a neighbour that is near than a brother far off.* – Proverbs 27:10



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Key Scriptures

- A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity. – Proverbs 17:17
- A man *that hath* friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend *that* sticketh closer than a brother. – Proverbs 18:24
- *Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.* – John 15:14
- *Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.* – John 15:15
- Then Jesus saith unto them, *Children, have ye any meat?* They answered him, No. – John 21:5



Keys

Managing favors and its distinguishing qualities,

- Warrants, sentences and attempted murder
- Your testimony is heard in the King's quarters
- The continuous wars in David's life – false peace: can King Saul be trusted?
- Innocence or ignorance can inadvertently ensnare
- The responsibilities of friendship
- Walking in wisdom always
- Friendships from childishness to childlikeness



In this lesson

Managing favors and its distinguishing qualities

- Test of friendship
- Testimonies of friends
- Tranquilities by friendship
- Transformation in friendship



Test of friendship

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Friend born for calamity

- Qualities of friendship – distinguishing qualities, disciplines, duty, deep fellowship (1 Samuel 18:1,3;20:17)
- Qualifiers for friendship – misbehaviors, misrepresentations, missteps, misconducts, misunderstanding



Testimonies of friends

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Testimonies before Kings and great men

- Faithfulness through Accountabilities – 1 Samuel 19:4
- Fearless Sacrifices – John 15:13
- Faithful witnesses - Appraisal & verifications – 1 Samuel 16:18; 19:4,5
- First to avouch for your integrity – in search of a resolution - Proverbs 27:10



Tranquilities by friendship

And Jonathan called David, and Jonathan shewed him all those things. And Jonathan brought David to Saul, and he was in his presence, as in times past. – 1 Samuel 19:7

Resolve the doubts, impasses and restorations

- Jonathan sought to restore his friend in fellowship with his father – 1 Samuel 19:6
- Michal sought to protect David from her father – 1 Samuel 19:12
- The Lord protected David from King Saul and the messengers sent by his father – 1 Samuel 19:20-23
- Jonathan sought to protect David from his father – 1 Samuel 20:23



Transformation in friendship

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From childishness to childlikeness to sons

- Friends resemble each other in conduct, in deeds and in response – John 15:14
- We are called to be childlike in our conduct and not childish – John 21:5
- Childishness to Childlikeness to Sons – Romans 8:16; Romans 8:14; John 1:12; 1 John 3:2
- Deep friendship are reliable friendships based on covenants - Exodus 33:11, Numbers 12:8, Deuteronomy 34:10; 1 Samuel 23:16,17,18



Summary

David and Jonathan cultivate a friendship that outlast their lives. A Friendships based on covenants and trusts before the LORD.



Next Week

Bootcamp Begins! – David in preparation in the classroom of the wilderness