

# **Decade of Distilment (I Samuel 19-31)**

Sunday, May 2, 2021 AVBC

#### Overview of David's Life

AGE	Birth - 17 yrs.	17-30 yrs.	30-50 yrs.	50-70 yrs.
ROLE	Shepherd	Fugitive	King-conquer	King- crisis
ATMOSPHERE	Solitude	Struggle	Success	Sorrow
EVENTS	Anointed to be Began to reign		United Judah/Israel	Adultery/murder
	king (age 15)	(age 30)	Nation expands.	(age 50)
SCRIPTURE	I Sam. 16-18	I Sam. 19-31	II Sam. 1-10	II Sam. 11-24
DATES	1040-1023 BC	1023-1010 BC	1010-990 BC	990-970 BC

### A Decade of Distilment

PASSAGE	LOCATION	EVENTS			
I Sam. 19:18	Ramah/Naioth	David confides in the prophet of God, Samuel			
I Sam. 21:1	Nob	Bread and sword and Doeg, the Edomite			
I Sam. 21:10	Gath	David fakes insanity			
I Sam. 22:1	Cave of Adullum	David and his 400 men			
I Sam. 22:3,4	Mizpeh of Moab	David protects his parents			
I Sam. 22:5	Forest of Hareth	Doeg, the Edomite, kills Ahimilech and his priestly line			
I Sam. 23:3	Keilah	David defeats the Philistines			
I Sam. 23:13	Wherever?	David and his 600 men move from place to place			
I Sam. 23:14	Wilderness of Ziph	Jonathon finds David and encourages him			
I Sam. 23:24	Wilderness of Maon	David is pursued by King Saul			
I Sam. 23:29; 24	Strongholds of Engedi	David spares King Saul's life			
I Sam. 25:1	Wilderness of Paran	Samuel, the prophet of God, dies			
I Sam. 25:2-42	Carmel	David deals with Nabal and Abigail			
I Sam. 26:1-25	Wilderness of Ziph	David again spares King Saul's life			
I Sam. 27-31	Land of the Philistines	David attacks Philistines (27:8-12), Saul consults witch (28:8-25), David's family is kidnapped/rescued (30:1-31), Saul/Jonathon are killed in battle (31)			

# LESSON 1- GOD IS

The enemy pursues me, he crushes me to the ground; he makes me dwell in darkness like those long dead. So my spirit grows faint within me; my heart within me is dismayed. I remember the days of long ago; I meditate on all Your works and consider what Your hands have done. I spread out my hands to You... (Ps. 143:3-6a) (also Lamentations 2-3)

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Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water that I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life. (John 4:13,14)

Look to my right and see; no one is concerned for me. I have no refuge; no one cares for my life." (Psalm 142:4) (also Psalm 27:1,5, 8-10, 13-14)

LESSON 3- GOD IS	
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-Psalm 57:1-3; 59:1-2, 9,10a; 62:1-2, 5-8; 131

Blessed are those who realize their need for Him, for the Kingdom of Heaven is given to them." (Matthew 5:3) (NLT)

### **DIGGING DEEPER**

(For personal study, family devotions or Care group use)

Q1: What would you consider to be the happiest "season" of your life? What made it so positive and joyful?

Q2: What would you consider to be the toughest "season" of your life? What made it so rough? What life lessons did you learn during that time?

Q3: When you think of the Lord's faithfulness in your life, what comes to mind?

Q4: Read Genesis 16. What lessons about God's care do you learn from this passage?

Q5: Is God alone enough for you? How would you explain your answer to someone who is wrestling with putting their faith in Jesus? What passages would you turn to?

Q6: Read Romans 8:35-39. What truth from those verses can you hang your trust on?

Q7: Of the three lessons discussed today, which one do you need to apply to your life right now? Why is that?