

## **THIS IS LIFE – LESSON 7 HANDOUT**



**1 Samuel 26 (AMP)**

**2 So Saul arose and went down to the Wilderness of Ziph, with 3,000 chosen men of Israel, to seek David [there].**

**4 David sent out spies and learned that Saul had actually come.**

**5 David arose and came to the place where Saul had encamped, and saw where Saul lay with Abner son of Ner, commander of his army; and Saul was lying in the encampment, with the army encamped around him.**

**Deut 8:2 Remember how the LORD your God led you all the way in the wilderness these forty years, to humble and test you in order to know what was in your heart, whether or not you would keep his commands.**

**1 Samuel 26:7 So David and Abishai went to the army by night, and there Saul lay sleeping within the encampment with his spear stuck in the ground at his head; and Abner and the army lay round about him.**

**8 Then said Abishai to David, God has given your enemy into your hands this day. Now therefore let me smite him to the earth at once with one stroke of the spear, and I will not strike him twice.**

**9 David said to Abishai, Do not destroy him; for who can raise his hand against the Lord's anointed and be guiltless?**

**10 David said, As the Lord lives, [He] will smite him; or his day will come to die or he will go down in battle and perish.**

**11 The Lord forbid that I should raise my hand against the Lord's anointed; but take now the spear that is at his head and the bottle of water, and let us go.**

**12 So David took the spear and the bottle of water from Saul's head, and they got away. And no man saw or knew or wakened, for they were all asleep, because a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen upon them.**

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**13 Then David went over to the other side and stood on the top of the mountain afar off, a great space being between them.**

**14 David called to the army and Abner son of Ner, Will you answer, Abner? Abner replied, Who are you, calling [and disturbing] the king?**

**17 And Saul knew David's voice and said, Is this your voice, my son David? And David said, My voice, my lord O king!**

**18 And David said, Why does my lord thus pursue his servant? What have I done? Or what evil is in my hand [tonight]?**

**21 Then said Saul, I have sinned. Return, my son David, for I will no more do you harm, because my life was precious**

**in your eyes this day. Behold, I have played the fool and have erred exceedingly**

**1 Samuel 27 (AMP)**

**1 BUT DAVID said in his heart, I shall now perish one day by the hand of Saul. There is nothing better for me than that I should escape into the land of the Philistines. Then Saul will despair of seeking me any more within the borders of Israel, and I shall escape out of his hand.**

**SHOULD HAVE SAID: But David said in his heart – I will never perish until God is ready to take me home. God has protected me from Saul all of these years and He has called me to be king in His timing. I will stay right here and let God protect me like he always has.**

**Psalm 34:4 (NIV84)**

**4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.**

**1 Samuel 27:2 So David arose and went over with the 600 men who were with him to Achish son of Maach, king of Gath.**

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**Isaiah 41:10 (AMP)**

**10 Fear not [there is nothing to fear], for I am with you; do not look around you in terror and be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen and harden you to difficulties, yes, I will help you; yes, I will hold you up and retain you with My [victorious] right hand of rightness and justice.**

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**2 Samuel 15:30 But David continued up the Mount of Olives, weeping as he went....**

**Matthew 26:75 Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken...And he went outside and wept bitterly.**

**Luke 19:41 As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it.**

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**3 And David dwelt with Achish at Gath, he and his men, every man with his household...**

**6 Then Achish gave David the town of Ziklag that day.**

**7 The time David dwelt in the Philistines' country was a year and four months.**

**8 Now David and his men went up and made attacks on the Geshurites, Girzites, and Amalekites [enemies of Israel Joshua had failed to exterminate].**

**9 And David smote the land and left neither man nor woman alive, and took away the sheep, oxen, donkeys, camels, and the apparel, and returned to Achish.**

**10 When Achish asked, "Where did you go raiding today?" David would say, "Against the Negev of Judah" or "Against the Negev of Jerahmeel" or "Against the Negev of the Kenites."**

**11 David did not leave a man or a woman alive to bring to Gath, saying, "Otherwise they will tell about us, saying, 'So has David done and so has been his practice all the time he has lived in the country of the Philistines.' "**

**12 And Achish believed David, saying, He has made his people Israel utterly abhor him; so he shall be my servant always.**

**Hebrews 12:6–8 (AMP)**

**6 For the Lord corrects and disciplines everyone whom He loves, and He punishes, even scourges, every son whom He accepts and welcomes to His heart and cherishes.**

**8 Now if you are exempt from correction and left without discipline in which all [of God's children] share, then you are illegitimate offspring and not true sons [at all].**

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**1 Samuel 29 (AMP)**

**1 NOW THE Philistines gathered all their forces at Aphek, and the Israelites encamped by the fountain in Jezreel.**

**2 As the Philistine lords were passing on by hundreds and by thousands, and David and his men were in the rear with Achish,**

**3 The Philistine princes said, What are these Hebrews doing here? Achish said to the Philistine princes, Is not this David, the servant of Saul king of Israel, who has been with me these days and years, and I have found no fault in him since he deserted to me to this day?**

**4 And the Philistine princes were angry with Achish and they said to him, Make this fellow return...**

**5 Is not this David, of whom they sang to one another in dances, Saul slew his thousands, and David his ten thousands?**

**6 Then Achish called David and said to him, As surely as the Lord lives, you have been honest and upright...**

**7 So return now and go peaceably, so as not to displease the Philistine lords.**

**8 David said to Achish, But what have I done? And what have you found in your servant as long as I have been with you to this day, that I may not go and fight against the enemies of my lord the king?**

**9 And Achish said to David, I know that you are as blameless in my sight as an angel of God; nevertheless the princes of the Philistines have said, He shall not go up with us to the battle.**

**1 Samuel 30:1–31 (AMP)**

**1 NOW WHEN David and his men came home to Ziklag on the third day, they found that the Amalekites had made a raid on the South (the Negeb) and on Ziklag, and had struck Ziklag and burned it with fire,**

**2 And had taken the women and all who were there, both great and small, captive. They killed no one, but carried them off and went on their way.**

**3 So David and his men came to the town, and behold, it was burned, and their wives and sons and daughters were taken captive.**

**6B - But David encouraged and strengthened himself in the Lord his God.**

**9 So David went, he and the 600 men with him,**

**17 And David smote them from twilight even to the evening of the next day**

**18 David recovered all that the Amalekites had taken and rescued his two wives.**

**19 Nothing was missing, small or great, sons or daughters, spoil or anything that had been taken; David recovered all.**