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PURSUING GOD'S HEART

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# Saul's Attempts To Kill David

1 Sam 18:11 Cast A Spear At David

1 Sam 18:17 Sent David Against The Philistines

1 Sam 18:25 Sent David Against More Philistines

1 Sam 19:1 Asked His Servants To Kill David

1 Sam 19:10 Cast A Spear At David

1 Sam 19:15 Sent Servants To David's Home

1 Sam 19:22 Went To Get David From Samuel

1 Sam 23:8 Marched To Kill David At Keilah

1 Sam 23:14 Sought David Daily In The Wilderness

1 Sam 24:2 Took 3000 To Find David At En Gedi

1 Sam 26:2 Took 3000 To Find David In Ziph





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## Matthew 16

24 Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.

25 For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.



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“ As hard as God's will can be, we have to remember there is something harder than obeying God, and that is a life of disobedience to God. ”

**Damian Kyle,** Teaching on 1 Samuel 26-28



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## 1. It Is Easy To Convince Yourself To Disobey God (v1)

“ That was a word of discouragement, coming from a heart that was tired of trusting God for His continued deliverance. At this point, David looked at Saul, not at God. David listened to himself, not to God. This will always end in trouble. ”

David Guzik, Enduring Word Commentary



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## 1. It Is Easy To Convince Yourself To Disobey God (v1)

“ David didn't forget to seek the Lord, he didn't forget to pray. At this point David is not interested in hearing any other voice that would talk him out of his plan. Not even God's voice. ”

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## 2. Disobedience Is Wrong Even If It Works (v2-4)

Now the prophet Gad said to David, "Do not stay in the stronghold; depart, and go to the land of Judah." So David departed and went into the forest of Hereth.

1 Samuel 22:5



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## 3. Disobedience Disconnects You From God (v5-7)

“ Sin will take you farther than you want to go, keep you longer than you want to stay, and cost you more than you want to pay. ”

Unknown Author



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## 3. Disobedience Disconnects You From God (v5-7)

Now David was greatly distressed, for the people spoke of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and his daughters. But David strengthened himself in the LORD his God.

1 Samuel 30:6



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## 3. Disobedience Disconnects You From God (v5-7)

“ We have no record of any Psalms that David wrote during this time. This was not a high point in his spiritual life; he wasn't writing sweet Psalms unto the LORD. ”

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But your iniquities have separated you from  
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face from you, So that He will not hear.

**Isaiah 59:2**



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## 4. Disobedience Leads To Questionable Behavior (v8-9)

“ David hasn't totally turned against God and His people. For now, he only attacks the enemies of Israel. This probably gave David some comfort, but it is a small consolation to know that you aren't as bad as you possibly could be. ”

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## 4. Disobedience Leads To Questionable Behavior (v8-9)

“ He would kill everybody so that there'd be no one to tell what he was doing. That is not at all right, it isn't admirable. I don't have any excuses for David in these actions. The only thing I think that it does point out is that God can use men that aren't perfect. ”

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“ Many times we discount ourselves from serving the Lord, being used of God, because we're so conscious of our own imperfections. But God used David and that's always an encouragement to me. ”

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# Minister To One Another

- **Manifestations of the Spirit** (1 Corinthians 12:7-11)
  - word of wisdom
  - word of knowledge
  - faith
  - gifts of healings
  - working of miracles
  - prophecy
  - discerning of spirits
- **Share Verses With Each Other** (Colossians 3:16)
- **Pray For One Another** (James 5:16)