# 1 SAMUEL

PURSUING GOD'S HEART

OPEN YOUR BIBLE TO: 1 SAMUEL 29

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A backslider is someone who once walked before the Lord with a devoted, humble, kind heart. He loved praying and digging into God's word. He vowed, "I will serve the Lord always, with all my heart."

David Wilkerson, The Awful Consequences of Backsliding!

But then something began to draw this believer's heart away from the Lord. Soon he lost both the love and fear of God. His heart slowly grew cold.

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Today this backslider has gone back to worldly ways. He has become completely blind, foolish, without understanding. He no longer seeks the Lord or turns to his word.

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David Guzik, Enduring Word Commentary

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With the charred embers at his feet and anxiety gnawing at his heart, the threat of violence in his ears, and bitter compunction of conscience, "he strengthened himself in the Lord his God." From that hour he was his old, strong, glad, noble self. F. B. Meyer, Through The Word Day By Day

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When God means to bless us, he often takes away a part of the little strength we thought we had. We did not think our strength equal to the task, and the Lord takes away a portion even of the little power we had.

Our God does not fill till he has emptied.

Charles Spurgeon, Sermon on 1 Samuel 30

4. Start To Obey God Now And Recover All (1 SAMUEL 30:9-20)

#### Joel 2

25 So I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten, The crawling locust, The consuming locust, And the chewing locust, My great army which I sent among you.

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26 You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, And praise the name of the Lord your God, Who has dealt wondrously with you; And My people shall never be put to shame.

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Come, and let us return to the LORD;
For He has torn, but He will heal us;
He has stricken, but He will bind us up.
Hosea 6:1

# 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)