



SAMUEL KINGS & COVENANTS

MESSAGE NOTES & DISCUSSION GUIDE WEEK 9 – WHEN GOD IS YOUR DEFENDER

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES

1 Samuel 24; Philippians 2:9-10

- David honored _____ because he was _____ to _____
- David's _____ the _____ of his enemies
- David appealed to _____ as the _____
- David's _____ Saul's _____

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1. Why do you think David viewed striking Saul as dishonoring God?
2. What situations today might tempt us to “take matters into our own hands” rather than wait on God’s timing?
3. How does surrender to THE King shape how we respond to leaders we don’t agree with?
4. How did David’s past actions protect him against Saul’s false beliefs?
5. Why is it so challenging to remain blameless when under attack?
6. What are some “small” compromises that can slowly erode our integrity?
7. Why might it be harder to trust God to vindicate us than to try to clear our own name?
8. Have you ever seen God “settle a matter” in His timing after you let it go? Share your story.
9. How does appealing to God’s authority change the way we handle conflict?
10. How did David’s actions prevent a civil war?
11. Have you ever been in a situation where a gracious response changed the tone completely?
12. How does Jesus’ example strengthen your resolve to honor God in the face of opposition?