

Sunday, September 15, 2019 - "David - Week 2" - Doug Kempton

Key Passages: 1 Samuel 16:18, 1 Samuel 18:5-12, 1 Samuel 23:14, 1 Samuel 24:3-7, 1 Samuel 26:7-12, Exodus 22:28

- Feel free to read the passage(s) out loud as a group
- Allow the group to share freely about what stood out to them from the passage or from Sunday's message

Main Ideas

- 1 Samuel 16:18 (David had to wait quite some time before he actually became king)
 - God is in the waiting and God is in the wilderness
 - He shapes our character for what he has planned for us
- Saul is miserable and basically a psychopath
 - Someone recommends David play music to help
 - David was a warrior, a musician and had a presence about him
 - Most importantly **the Lord was with him** (what would someone say about you?)
 - David was shaped by his love for music (it shaped his doctrine/theology during his time waiting)
- 1 Samuel 18:5-12 → David was successful and Saul was jealous and afraid
 - David is on the run from Saul
 - Saul made himself an enemy of David and in turn an enemy of God
- 1 Samuel 23:14
 - All of the running and time in the wilderness were to train David to be a king
 - And David never took matters into his own hands
- 1 Samuel 24:3-7 - David has his chance to attack Saul
 - But David doesn't kill "The Lord's anointed" (Exodus 22:28)
 - David was willing to wait on God
 - The word of God protected him from doing things his own way
 - David believed that God had established Saul and God would remove Saul in the right time/way
- How did David stay focused on God?
- 2 disciplines form David/How to navigate the wilderness
 - 1) Honest dialogue with God
 - David asked why a lot! (all throughout the Psalms)
 - But...NEVERTHELESS (resolve to have this attitude about what God has done and who He is)
 - God is pleased when we are honest with him
 - 2) Worship
 - An Attitude that God is in everything, we begin to see him (work, home, relationships)
 - An attitude of gratitude...in ANY situation
 - Worship unleashes the Spirit of God in our lives
 - Sometimes it's all we have
- "A Private relationship of worshipping God is the greatest essential element of spiritual fitness" - Oswald Chambers
- God is with us in the waiting and in the wilderness

Questions (Feel free to use all of these, some of these, or none of these)

1. How have you seen God move in times of waiting or times in the wilderness?
2. When was a time that you had an honest dialogue with God? What was it like? How did he use it?
3. Share a time where God used the waiting and the wilderness to shape your character? How did He grow you and what did He prepare you for?
4. How can you actively and intentionally not take matters into your own hands?
5. What does worship look like for you? How has God used it to help you navigate the wilderness?
6. What is God inviting you into as a result of this passage or sermon?

****15 Minutes with God Reading Plan-**

Mon: 1 Samuel 21 Tues: 1 Samuel 22 Wed: 1 Samuel 23 Thurs: 1 Samuel 24 Fri: 1 Samuel 25

Songs from the weekend: [Raise a Hallelujah- *Bethel Music*] - [Waymaker - *Sinach*] - [Do It Again - *Elevation Worship*] - [O Praise the Name - *Hillsong Worship*]