

**LEAVING IT IN THE LORD’S HAND**

*Trusting IN and Waiting FOR a God Who Keeps His Promises*

The Life of David, VI

I Samuel 24

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**OPENING COMMENTS: David’s rise to kingship would not be easy ~ I Samuel 22-23**

**INTRODUCTION: Jonathan went to David at Horesh and encouraged him in the Lord  
~ I Samuel 23:15-18**

**1. Notice that Johnathan went to David.**

**2. Notice that Jonathan was aware of David’s “felt needs.”**

**3. Notice that Jonathan went to David in person.**

**4. Notice that Jonathan encouraged David in the Lord.**

a) He reminded David of God’s promises.

b) He assured David that he was in the middle of God’s plan for him.

c) He RE-assured David of his own commitment to him as friend and future king.

d) He specifically told David NOT to be afraid (cf. II Kings 6:16-17).

e) He encouraged him to keep the faith.

## **I. A TEST FOR YAHWEH'S SERVANT ~ 24:1-7**

### **Applications**

- 1. There is no better place than the \_\_\_\_\_ of God's will.**
- 2. There is no greater strength than \_\_\_\_\_ God's will.**
- 3. There will be \_\_\_\_\_; and you will have to \_\_\_\_\_.**

## **II. AN APPEAL TO YAHWEH'S JUSTICE ~ 24:8-15**

*One stroke of his sword, and he steps into a throne. Farewell to poverty! Farewell the life of a hunted goat. Reproaches, sneers, defeat, would cease; adulations, triumphs, riches would be his. But his at the sacrifice of faith; at the sacrifice of a humbled will, ever waiting on God's time; at the sacrifice of a thousand precious experiences of God's care, God's provision, God's guidance, God's tenderness. No, even a throne at that price is too dear. Faith will wait. ~ A.W. Pink, A Life of David, vol. 1, page 114*

## **III. AN ASSURANCE OF YAHWEH'S FAITHFULNESS ~ 24:16-22**

**A. Saul Admits David Has Shown Him Goodness ~ vs. 17-19**

**B. Saul Knows David Will Be King ~ v. 20**

**C. Saul Wants Himself and His Family to Be Protected ~ v. 21**

## **CONCLUSION**

*Therefore, since [I am] surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let [me] also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let [me] run with endurance the race that is set before [me], looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of [my] faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. ~ Hebrews 12:1-2*