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From Fear to Faith

Journey with Jesus: Luke 4:14-6:5
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How do we move from fear to faith?

1. In order to move from fear to faith, we must be _____ . 1 Sam. 22:1; Psalm 142

2. In order to move from fear to faith, we must remain _____ . 1 Sam. 22:2-5

3. In order to move from fear to faith, we must remain _____ . 1 Sam. 22:20-23; Psalm 52

Take Home Truth

Living without fear means _____
in the Lord. Proverbs 3:5-12

Today's Core Virtue:

Faith: "Being sure of what I hope for and certain of what I do not see, I exhibit faith that pleases God. (from Hebrews 11:1, 6)

Today's Action:

When you are tempted to fall into fear, trust in the Lord and lean not on your own understanding. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

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Deeper Connection Study

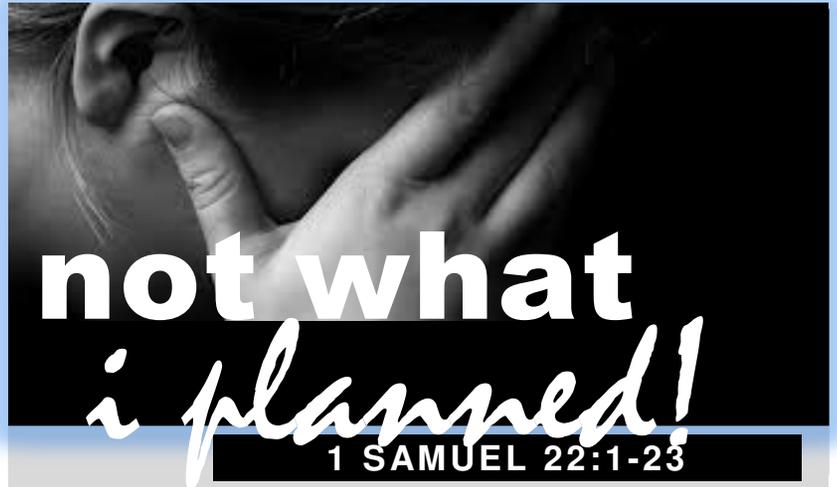
David is certainly resourceful as he travels to various locales while Saul is in hot pursuit. The tension rises as Saul confronts those he accuses of supporting David and we discover the dread of Saul's vengeance.

Today's Core Virtue discussed: Faith.

Read 1 Samuel 22

1. Who joins David while he is in exile (vv. 1-2)? Why would these individuals ally with David?
2. How does David show care for his family (vv. 1-5)? Why does he bring them to Moab (cf. Ruth 1:4; 4:13-17)?
3. What seems to be Saul's pressing concern (vv. 6-8)? How does he employ passive manipulation on those around him?
4. Who tells Saul about David's activities (vv. 9-10)? What is his nationality and why is this important to understanding the narrative?
5. What accusation does Saul level against Ahimelech the priest (vv. 11-13)? How does the priest respond to the charges (vv. 14-15)? What fate befell him and how was it a partial fulfillment of prophecy (vv. 16-19; cf. 2:23-34; 3:11-14)?
6. God's purposes came about, but people did evil in the process. How do you reconcile these seemingly opposing ideas? How do you balance the tension concerning God's sovereignty and human responsibility?

PRAYER TO THE POINT: Praise God for his sovereignty and providential care. Ask God to help you respond to difficult situations with faith rather than fear.



What would rock bottom look like in your life? Loss of a job? Death of a loved one? Financial ruin? Maybe all of the above. Many times we are at rock bottom because we have been living out of fear and making wrong choices. Other times it is of no consequence of our own. It is at these times we have a choice to make. Do I live in fear or faith?

Being free from our fear is something we all long to experience. Fear looks different in all of our lives but living in fear rather than faith will have the same result for all of us. When we choose to live in fear we are essentially rebelling against God and saying that we don't trust Him.

We all know that a life lived with faith in God is our goal but what does that look like? How do we go from a posture of fear to one of faith? This week we will continue to follow David on his journey. Last week he lived and acted out on fear. This week we will see what it looks like to move from fear to faith.