



not what i planned!!!

Which way out?

Journey with Jesus: Luke 20:9-22:6
September 25, 2016 - Pastor Bruce French

What happens when God intervenes?

1. When God intervenes He is _____ of
our _____ . 1 Samuel 28:1-2

a) Be _____ with the Lord about your
plight.

2. When God intervenes He _____ the
_____. 1 Samuel 29:1-5

a) Be _____ in the Lord's involvement.

3. When God intervenes He _____
the other _____. 1 Samuel 29:6-11

a) Be _____ after the Lord delivers.

Take Home Truth

Where we lack _____ God keeps
_____. 1 Samuel 29:7

Today's Core Belief:

God: "I believe that the infinite and eternal
God is involved in and cares about my daily
life." (from Psalm 121:1-2)

Today's Action:

What are some poor choices you have made?
How did God intervene on your behalf? Where
do you need Him to do that now? Pray for His
wisdom and then apply it.

hand in hand



verse by verse

Deeper Connection Study

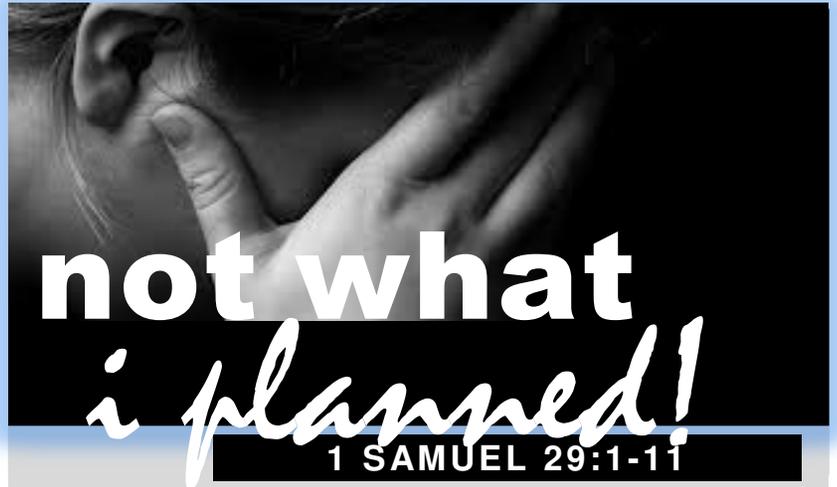
There is no doubt David is stuck between a rock and a hard place - not in a cave this time, but between his host and his homeland. David is playing a dangerous game that could have disastrous consequences. Herein we see the working out of divine sovereignty and human responsibility.

Today's Core Belief discussed: Personal God

Read 1 Samuel 29

1. Where was David's allegiance (vv. 1-11; cf. 27:2-6, 12; Ps. 31:14)? How was David caught in the middle?
2. What appeal did Achish make to the other Philistine commanders (v. 3)? How did they respond (vv. 4-5)?
3. How did Achish validate David's honor (vv. 3, 6, 9)? What command did he give to David (vv. 7, 10-11)?
4. How did God rescue David from an impossible predicament in which he put himself? Why is it not surprising given the deliverances highlighted in chapter 23?
5. Can you recall a time when God delivered you from a mess you made? How does this reveal God's sovereign care for you?
6. How does your faith affect the way you make decisions? How can you develop a greater trust in God when you are tempted to act on your own accord?

PRAYER TO THE POINT: Thank God for his protection and care. Pray for faith in God's leading as well as wisdom and the courage to follow him.



At one time or another, everyone has made a poor choice, and when that decision took place there could have been many contributing factors. For example, fatigue could have played a role in that bad decision, or perhaps fear might have been an influencing presence. It could be that unfortunate choice was the result of inexperience, or merely a lack of wisdom. Either way, in hindsight there was a level of regret, and an understandable desire to have a “do-over.”

David found himself in one of those undesirable circumstances because of a number of choices he had made. It began with running to Philistine territory to find refuge from King Saul, and continued with a pattern of deceit directed toward King Achish. At the end of the day, these decisions landed David in hot water with an obligation to go to war and fight against his own people. Would God allow him to suffer the consequences of his ignorant choices or would He intervene? How about you? Does God find pleasure in watching you squirm, or does he show grace and rescue you from your predicaments?