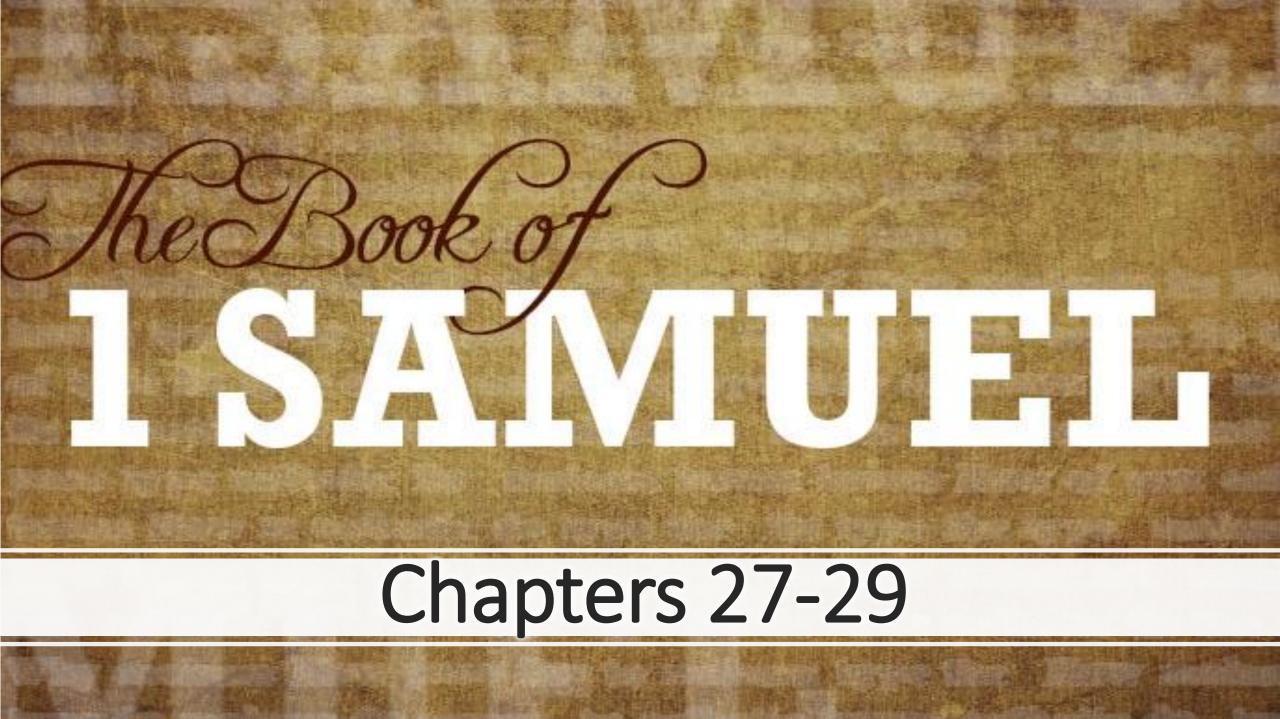
JOURNEY together

Current Series:

1 Samuel

Disciples
growing together
in small groups



Step 1: GETREAL

What are you thankful for from the past week?
What struggles did you face?
What can you share from your personal Bible reading?

- (other than the designated section of 1 Samuel)

Where did you see God in your daily life?

Step 2: GET FED

Discuss 1 Samuel 27-29

- (Chap. 27) David deceived King Achish by telling him that David's band of soldiers were attacking the southern portions of Israel itself when they were actually attacking Israel's border enemies. In so doing, David endeared himself to both Israel and the Philistines. Clearly this was a shrewd military maneuver; but was is morally right? Is it right to deceive / mislead? Luke 6:31; Ps. 101:7; Prov. 24:28; Mark 7:20-22; 1 Pet. 2:1, 22
- (Chap. 29) Discuss how the Philistine rulers inadvertently kept David's deception from becoming exposed. If David had actually gone into battle against Israel, what then?
- What double meaning lurks in David's reference to "my lord, the king"? 1 Sam. 29:8
- What are your thoughts about modern-day fortune tellers, Wicca, etc.? Might they be supernaturally empowered? Ex. 7:11; Eph. 6:12
- What do you think were the root causes of Saul's downfall?
- Discuss how a husband's prayers can be hindered. What does this mean? 1 Peter 3:7, 12
- What suggestions do you have for reconciling 1 Sam. 28:5 with 1 Chron. 10:13-14.

Step 3: GET ACTIVE

This week, strive to live a truly HOLY life before God.

Let us be truly set apart,
with no deceit coming from our mouths, nor from our actions.

Instead of first seeking advice from a person about a problem you may be having, search out what God's Word has to say on the subject.