

1 Samuel: Selected Lessons for Leaders

“Trust and Toxic Leadership”

1 Samuel 18:1-9; 19:1-7; 20:1-8, 20-22

One of the most difficult challenges for any developing leader is surviving under toxic leadership. David’s long-term success as King in Israel is shaped in the crucible of Saul’s hatred and pursuit. Responding appropriately is key to one’s future credibility as a leader.

1. Godly Friendship Strengthens Leaders (18:1-5)

2. Envy Spawns Toxic Leadership (18:6-9)

3. Faith Trusts God and Godly Men (19:1-7; 20:1-8, 20-22)