

1. Why was David's situation, where he would have to follow the Philistine king into battle against Israel, so impossibly difficult?
2. How does this story demonstrate the truth of Psalm 21:1: "The king's heart is a stream of water in the hand of the LORD; he turns it wherever he will?"
3. How does it affect our view of our own difficulties when we notice that God sometimes uses his enemies to save David from his difficulties?
4. Even when God makes a way for David, it seems likely (at least possible) that David still thinks his own way makes more sense. How should this realization affect the way we pray?
5. What do we learn about Jesus by comparing the way Achish pronounces David's innocence 3 times to the way Pilate pronounces Jesus' innocence 3 times? (Luke 23:22)