

Lesson 10: Journey to the Valley of Elah

1Sam. 16:1-13

Journeys of Faith

1. According to (Acts 13:22) how was David's heart described?
 - *If David could commit sins like adultery and murder, even though he was a man after God's own heart, what warning should that be for us, today?*
2. (1Sam. 16:6-7) As Samuel looked at Jesse's sons, which one did he think would be the next king? Why?
 - *Samuel was judging Eliab only by what he saw on the outside. Why is it unwise to judge someone's spirituality only by what we see on the outside?*
 - *According to (v.7), when God looks at us, what does He see?*
3. (1Sam. 16:8-12) David was the least likely candidate for king in man's eyes, but God wasn't just looking at what he was but what he could be. How should this fact encourage us when we feel like God's least likely candidate for what He is asking us to do?
4. (1Sam. 18:14) One of the ways everyone knew that the Lord was with David was because he "behaved himself wisely." What does it look like for us to behave ourselves wisely in front of the world?
 - *In what ways can it hurt the cause of Christ if we do not behave ourselves wisely before the world?*
5. How did this lesson speak to you and what action step will it lead you to take? (*"Because of what I learned, I will..."*)
6. Share one thing God spoke to you about during your daily devotional time this past week.

GROUP PRAYER TIME (Take any prayer requests)

- Pray for the prayer requests given.
- Whatever the Lord spoke to you about in this lesson, turn that into a prayer back to God. Is there something you need to **correct**, **confess**, or **continue** doing...tell Him about it.