

# I SAMUEL CHAPTER 24

The God who Tests



# 3 PARTS

- ~~Part 1 : Last of Judges (Chapters 1-7)~~
- ~~Part 2 : A King like all the Nations (Chapters 8-15)~~
- Part 3: A Man after God's own Heart (Chapters 16-31)



**THEME: GOD TESTS HIS PEOPLE DURING DIFFICULT  
TIMES TO BRING GLORY TO HIS NAME.**

## **3 Responses During Testing**

- **1<sup>st</sup> Response: Hope in God V 1-7**



- **1 Samuel 23:8 (NASB95)**
- **8** So Saul summoned all the people for war, to go down to Keilah to besiege David and his men.









- David Toshio writes: for “cutting off a corner of the hem” was often taken as a symbol of disloyalty and rebellion in the second millennium B.C

- David Tsumura, *The First Book of Samuel*, The New International Commentary on the Old Testament (Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2007), 567.



- David Toshio writes: David did not allow himself to disobey God's commandment by interpreting this occasion as God-given opportunity to commit murder

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- **Proverbs 14:26 (NASB95)**
- **26** In the fear of the LORD there is strong confidence, And his children will have refuge.



- **Matthew 7:17–18 (NASB95)**
- **17** “So every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit.
- **18** “A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, nor can a bad tree produce good fruit.



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- **1 Samuel 15:22 (NASB95)**
- **22** Samuel said, “Has the LORD as much delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices As in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, And to heed than the fat of rams.



- **Proverbs 15:1**

- A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.



- **1 Samuel 20:31 (NASB95)**
- **31** “For as long as the son of Jesse lives on the earth, neither you nor your kingdom will be established. Therefore now, send and bring him to me, for he must surely die.”



# CONCLUSION

1. Place your hope in God.
2. Trust God's Justice.
3. Remember God's Glory.

