

# Saul's Vengeance

1 Samuel 22

TAG Team Lesson

*Week of January 24*

1. As Saul interrogated his men about David's whereabouts (22:6-8), to what motives did he appeal?  

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2. Compare 22:7 to 1 Samuel 8:12, 14. What do you observe?  

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3. In strong contrast to David, what attitudes of Saul do vv. 6-8 describe?  

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4. To what type of individual did Saul listen? (vv. 9-10). (See also Psalm 1:1-2.)  

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5. When summoned and accused by Saul, how did Ahimelech defend his actions (22:14-15)?  

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6. In light of Deuteronomy 17:14-20 and 19:15-21, how would you critique Saul's actions in 1 Samuel 22:13-19?  

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7. How did power affect Saul? How can a Christian keep their humility and servant's heart?  

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8. Saul assumed that the priests were against him without truly sufficient evidence and he took ruthless revenge. Are you tempted to believe the worst, condemn, and take revenge on someone? What should you do instead?  

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9. What contrasts do you see between Saul's treatment of Nob and his actions toward Amalek in 1 Samuel 15?  

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**10. What does this difference reveal about Saul's priorities?**

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**11. With what you have seen of Saul thus far, how would you say the monarchy has affected Israel so far? How well is it succeeding?**

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**12. To what extent does David admit responsibility for what happened to Nob (22:22)?**

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**13. To what degree would you hold him responsible, and why?**

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**14. Do events have simple causes or complex ones? What caused the slaughter of the priests of Nob – Eli's sin and God's judgment, David's deceit, Saul's rage, or are there other factors?**

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**15. Was there any particular truth from chapters 21-22 that struck you more personally?**

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**16. How would you like this to influence your character and actions?**

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