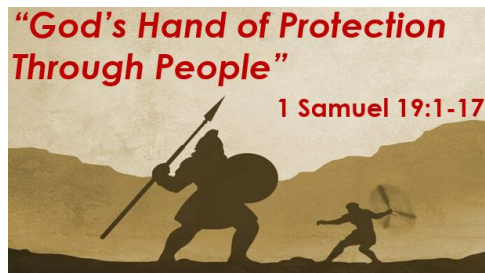


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Doing right, behaving wisely...

- Does not change...
- Whether you're 5 years old
- Whether you're 100 years old,
- Or 35 or 57 or 70...
- In **all** areas of our life, we will learn to be prosperous and have good success when we do what is right. When we obey God's Word.



Do right, behave wisely...

**But then in the very next chapter...**

1. disobedience
2. deceit
3. lies – and half truths
4. That God uses? For good purposes.

☐ *David: Doing right (behaving wisely) yet bad things are still happening...*

**God using people to protect, BUT they do it dishonestly: ?**

*Let's look at 3 characters that interact with David here in this passage and help protect him. What can we learn here??*

**GOD USING PEOPLE, FOR DAVID'S PROTECTION:**

**I. Jonathan**

- A. Receives an order – from Dad (v.1)
- B. Talks to David – about his father
- C. Formulates a plan (vs.2-3) – to convince Saul and notify David
- D. His conversation with Saul (vs.4-5)
  1. David's innocence
  2. Positive help to Saul
  3. Spare his life or you will commit a terrible sin
  4. Saul listened (v.6)

*David was spared for Jonathan's efforts; the man who could stand to gain the most from David's death.*

**II. Saul – liar, murderer, and madman**

- A. Again, attempts to kill the innocent, (David) himself (v.10)
- B. Lied, broke his vow – already (v.6)

*- When someone is not right with God: they are, many times, the most dangerous people because of what they know!! [The truth!]*

**III. Michal – Saint or Sham?**

- A. Protects her husband
- B. Lies and deceives for her husband
- C. Lies *against* her husband (vs.13-14)  
Saul's questions her deceit (v.17)

**CONCLUSION:**

- We don't really have any times to justify dishonesty, but this passage gives us something to think about...
  - So: Talk about it. Can God use it?
  - Is deception for a cause, sin?
  - Suppose Bibles were outlawed; would you tell authorities where yours are?
  - Watch being deceptive; it will always bring trouble.