



## 1 SAMUEL 23

**SUNDAY 27th JUNE**

### REFLECTION

#### QUESTIONS AND NOTES

- Recap what the situation is for David by the time we get to 1 Sam 23
- Read chapter 23:1-13
  - What contrasts do you notice between David and Saul in these verses?
  - What are the four things that God tells David?
    - How do you think David would feel hearing from God?
  - V6 Feels like an interruption to the story. Why do you think it has been included here?
  - How do we hear from God now?
    - Does God give us direct guidance on all the details of life?
    - What does the Bible give us? Is that enough?
    - Why is it good news that God speaks to us?
    - How might this shape our Bible reading?

- Read chapter 23:14-18
  - What does Jonathan do and say?
  - How can Jonathan be so confident that David will be king? (1 Sam 16:12-13)
  - Why is Jonathan willing to be second to David?
  - What can we learn about Godly friendships from this?
  - What impact does it have on us knowing that Jesus is our friend? (John 15:13-14)
- Read chapter 23:19-29
  - Why do you think the Ziphites (and those from Keilah earlier) betrayed David to Saul? (see v20 and ch22)
  - Describe what happened as Saul pursued David.
  - How was David saved?
- Read Psalm 54
  - This Psalm was written around the events of 1 Samuel 23. What insights do we get from reading this Psalm?