

When Life Gets Hard

1 Samuel 21-22

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths.”

– Proverbs 3:5-6

Big Idea: Trusting that God is with me and for me sustains me in a world full of difficulty and adversity

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1) Feast On God’s Mercy (21:1-9)

“Have you not read what David did when he was hungry, and those who were with him: how he entered the house of God and ate the bread of the Presence, which it was not lawful for him to eat nor for those who were with him, but only for the priests? Or have you not read in the Law how on the Sabbath the priests in the temple profane the Sabbath and are guiltless? I tell you, something greater than the temple is here. And if you had known what this means, ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice,’ you would not have condemned the guiltless. For the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath.”

– Matthew 12:3-8

“For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.’ They said to him, ‘Sir, give us this bread always.’ Jesus said to them, ‘I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.’”

– John 6:33-35

2) Cling To God’s Character (21:10-15; Psalm 56)

My Pathway To Peace During Problems (Psalm 56):

- 1) Acknowledge My Fear (v. 3)
- 2) Choose To Trust God (v. 3)
- 3) Claim & Cling To God’s Character (v. 9)

3) Seek God Wholeheartedly (21:10-22:5; Psalm 34)

4) Worship God Steadfastly (22:6-23; Psalm 57)

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