

*“When God is Real in our Lives”*

1 Samuel 24

I. Consider the Conflict between Saul and David.

**A. Saul hunted David (1-2).**

**B. David spared Saul (3-7).**

**C. David confronted Saul verbally (8-15).**

1. *“Why do you listen to liars?” (9)*
2. *“Although I had the chance, I did not harm you.” (10)*
3. *“I am not guilty.” (11)*
4. *“May the Lord judge between you and me.” (12, 15)*

**D. Saul wavered (16-22).**

1. *He wept aloud (16).*
2. *He recognized David's innocence and integrity (17).*
3. *He acknowledged that God was with David (18).*
4. *He asks the Lord to reward David (19). Is he sincere?*
5. *He admits that David will be king (20).*
6. *He asks David to promise to protect his descendants*

(21-22).

## II. Consider the Contrast between Saul and David.

**A. Saul knew about God, talked about God, even tried to pacify God.**

**B. David truly lived the light of God's presence.**

Lessons: What must we do in light of 1 Samuel 24?

- 1. We must ask ourselves, "Is God real in my life, or am I going through the motions?"*
- 2. We must look at trials from God's perspective, and submit to Him in them.*
- 3. When we are wronged by another person, we must commit the matter to God, and resolve to do*