

# ***“In Danger But Not Fearful”***

## 1 Samuel 23

### *Purpose of 1 Samuel:*

1. It enables us to get to know God better.
2. It provides us with a model of God's kind of person, namely David.

### I. Dangerous Situation #1 (1-6)

#### **A. Where did David encounter the danger? (1)**

#### **B. Who was the threat? (1-3)**

1. The Philistines
2. David's men

#### **C. How did David respond to the danger?**

1. He inquired of the Lord (4).
2. He acted in obedience to the Lord (5).

### II. Dangerous Situation #2 (7-13)

#### **A. Where? (7)**

## **B. Who was the threat?**

1. Saul (7-8)
2. The citizens of Keilah (12)

## **C. How did David respond to the danger?**

1. He called for the priest and the ephod (9).
2. He inquired of the Lord (10-12).
3. He left the city (13).

## III. Dangerous Situation #3 (14-29)

### **A. Where? (14)**

### **B. Who was the threat?**

1. Saul (14)
2. The Ziphites (19-20)

### **C. How did David respond to the danger?**

1. He took the defensive, and did all he could to avoid Saul (26).
2. He waited on God's intervention (27-28).
3. He went to a place of security (29).

Lessons:

- 1. David was a man who looked at obstacles as opportunities to glorify God. So must we.*
- 2. David's focus was not on getting rid of the trial, but on being God's kind of person in the midst of the trial. That must be our focus, too.*