

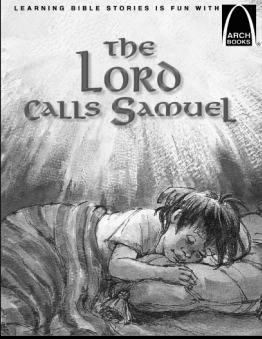
**the book of  
1<sup>st</sup> Samuel**

**Thursday Morning  
Bible Class**

**1 Samuel**

**Ch. 26 - 27**

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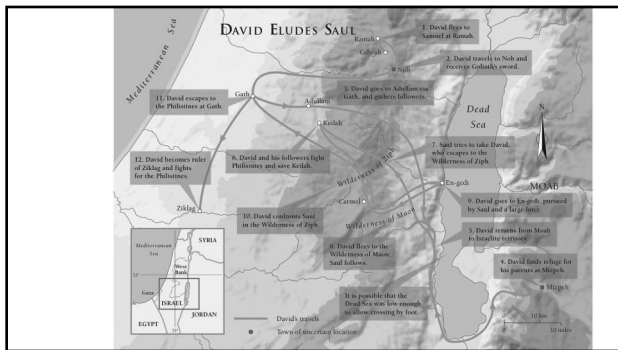
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### David Spares Saul Again – 26:1-25

† Again we have David having the chance to end Saul's life, but refuses. This chapter carries the theme of life, both physical and spiritual. David's life is being threatened, but he is also being driven away from God.

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**David Spares Saul Again – 26:1-25**

- † 1 – Once again the Ziphites report David's location.
- † 2 – Again Saul takes his army of 3000 to find David.
- † 4 – David knew where Saul was.
- † 5 – He snuck near the camp to observe.
- † 6 – Abishai, David's nephew, offers to go with David into Saul's camp.

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**David Spares Saul Again – 26:1-25**

- † 7 – David sneaks into Saul's camp while everyone is sleeping.
- † 8 – Abishai pleaded with David to let him kill Saul.
- † 9 – But David said "no." There is no situation where killing the Anointed One is justified.
- † 10 – God will take care of it in His time.

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**David Spares Saul Again – 26:1-25**

- † 11 – Instead he took Saul's spear and water jar.
- † 12 – They escaped because God caused a deep sleep to come on the Israelite army.
- † 13-14 – On a nearby hill overlooking the camp, David called out Abner.
- † 15 – He told Abner that he neglected his duty to protect the king.

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### David Spares Saul Again – 26:1-25

- † 16 – For his negligence he deserved death.
- † 17 – Saul recognized David's voice and again calls him his son.
- † 18-19 – Why is Saul seeking his life? What he is doing is driving David away from God.
- † 20 – David is no more than a flea. A "partridge" in Hebrew means a "caller." David is calling out Saul.

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### David Spares Saul Again – 26:1-25

- † 21 – Saul confesses his sin.
- † 22 – David holds up Saul's spear as proof he was close enough to kill Saul.
- † 23 – David trusts God to deliver him.
- † 25 – Saul invokes a blessing over David and they part.

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### David Flees to the Philistines – 27:1-12

- † The final Philistine confrontation with Saul and his death.
- † 1 – David knows that if he stays in Judah Saul will find him and kill him. He would be better off with the Philistines.
- † 2 – So David & his 600 go to Gath.

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## David Flees to the Philistines – 27:1-12

- † 4 – When Saul learns that David is in Gath, he no longer seeks him.
- † 5 – David asks Achish for an outlying city.
- † 6 – So Achish gave David Ziklag on the southern edge of Philistine territory.

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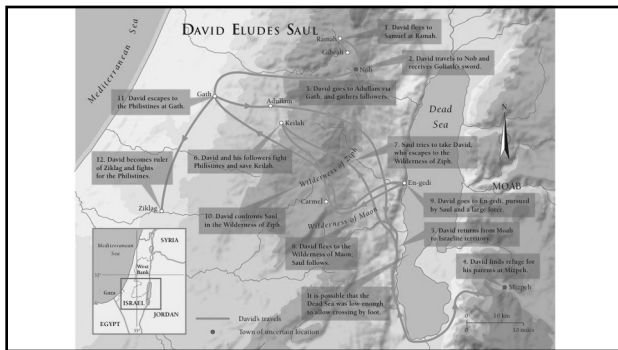
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## David Flees to the Philistines – 27:1-12

- † 8 – While there, David settles some old scores against the Geshurites and Amalekites.
- † 9 – David took the spoils but left no survivors.
- † 10 – He would report to Achish and told him he was raiding Judean cities in the Negev.
- † 12 – Achish believed and trusted David.

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**David and Achish – 28:1-2**

- † These two verses are a side note by the author to set up the rest of Saul's story.
- † The Philistines are gathering for war.
- † Achish trusted David and wanted him to fight the Israelites by his side.
- † David said: "You shall know what your servant can do." A wide-open statement.

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