Lesson 5

DAVID DOESN'T KILL SAUL

OBJECTIVES

- 1. To learn that David feared and respected God by choosing not to kill Saul.
- 2. To know that God knows the best time and way to carry out His plan.
- 3. To trust God by surrendering our own way and choosing His way.

MEMORY VERSE

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding."

(Proverbs 3:5)

PRAYER

- 1. Thank You, God, for gathering us here to worship You and learn more about Your word.
- 2. Please guide us through this lesson so that we can learn to fear and respect You, just as David did.
- 3. God, we know that sometimes it is difficult to choose the path You want for us, so please give us the strength always to surrender our own way and choose Your way.
- 4. May we remember the teachings in this lesson and apply them to our lives.



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- 1. David Spares Saul's Life (1 Samuel 26:1-20)
 - a. Saul learns of David's hiding place (1 Samuel 26:1-3) b. David discovers Saul is nearby (1 Samuel 26:4-6)
 - c. David has the upper hand against Saul (1 Samuel 26:7-12)
 - d. David calls out to Abner (1 Samuel 26:13-20)
- 2. Saul Admits Guilt (1 Samuel 26:21-25)
- **3. Linking to the Ten Basic Beliefs**—Salvation is given by grace through faith
- 4. Life Application—Fearing God; God's Way vs. Our Way
- **5. Activity**—Choosing God's Way

Background Knowledge for Teachers

David had helpers as he fled from King Saul. Among them were military generals such as Abishai, Joab, and Asahel, who was one of David's nephews. Ziph, land of the Ziphites, was a desert land southeast of the city of Hebron and due west of the Dead Sea. It was a rough and inhospitable region, and, for that reason, it was frequently used as a hiding place for outlaws and bandits. David fled here during his escape from Saul, and the Ziphites came and told Saul of David's whereabouts. Saul followed him.

One night, as Saul and his soldiers lay sleeping on the ground, David and Abishai crept into the camp and took Saul's spear and water jug, which were beside him. Abishai first suggested killing Saul on the spot, but David held him back, saying that it was not right to kill God's anointed. David's unselfish, righteous attitude explains why he is one of the most respected men in the Bible.

Although Saul had tried several times to kill David by the spear, David always chose not to harm Saul.



Reaching Out to Your Students

Teach your students how to distinguish between right and wrong. How can we help them mature in their moral judgment so that the choices they make will be pleasing to God? Like David, our students face many decisions and choices each day. Since they are called to be parts of Christ's body, their decisions affect the collective group. We want to help them feel the strength of belonging to a group that is committed to God.

However, an "all for one and one for all" attitude is difficult to develop among a class, especially one that only meets once a week.

- 1. Use the children's inevitable interest in local teams and sports to your advantage. Instead of simply being "E2 Class," why not mutually agree upon a name such as "Christian Soldiers," which can be displayed in the room for all to see? A banner or a pennant can be used to reinforce their Christian identity constantly.
- 2. Whenever children are absent, send a postcard saying they were missed. Have classmates sign the card to highlight the fact that their peers missed them.
- 3. Vary the seating arrangements. A "team spirit" atmosphere can help students to get to know everyone and feel comfortable with all class members.
- 4. Delegate class jobs and duties so that every child can make some contribution to the day's operation. Remember to have an extra duty or two catered for new visitors or new enrollees.
- 5. Select a hymn that can be the class' "theme." Allow the students to make the decision as a group. Begin or end each Saturday RE class with the singing of this hymn.



5 Minutes

In our daily life, we need to make choices. Sometimes it is very hard to make the right choice because the other choice may also seem right. [Ask the students if they have faced this kind of difficulty.] We need to ask God to help us think critically because, sometimes, if we make the wrong choice, it might create problems for other people.

In today Bible's story, David had to make a choice about King Saul. Listen carefully to see what the choice was and how David chose to execute his choice. See if you agree with his choice.



revenge: an opportunity to retaliate or gain satisfaction for injuries or wrongs



Bible Discovery & Spiritual Teaching

30-35 Minutes

FOR TEACHERS

Hand out Bible Discovery Worksheet #1 to the students. Ask them the follow along with the lesson and fill in the blanks. The answers have been underlined in this section.

We learned in these past few weeks about how David killed Goliath and became well known throughout Israel for this great victory. Saul then began to grow envious of David and wanted to kill him. Thankfully, David had a loving friend named Jonathan who helped him escape Saul's wrath.

Now that the king of Israel had set out to find and kill David, David had no choice but to run away and hide. So, Saul gathered a small army to search for him and was told that David was hiding in the hills of Hachilah. Upon discovering his whereabouts, Saul and his army set out to find David. Now David had some men with him also, so he sent spies to see if Saul was near. For people on the run like David, it is important for them always to keep a lookout for whoever is chasing after them. It is also important to try to be one step ahead of the person chasing you so that you can plan your escape if they are nearby or try to gain the upper hand.

Then David, seeing that Saul and his army had indeed come, arose and went to Saul's camp. What would you do if you were David and you saw the person chasing after you nearby? How would you feel? [Allow students to answer.] Seeing that Saul was so close, David could have gathered his men and run away to another place. But instead, David chose to do something very brave.

Saul and his men must have been very tired from the long journey and search for David. David turned to his men, asking, "Who will go down with me to Saul in the camp?" Knowing that the king of Israel was right around the corner, David's men must have been afraid to go with David. But there was one brave man, a trusted friend of David's, who agreed to go—<u>Abishai</u>, the brother of Joab. Imagine what David's men were thinking: what does David plan on doing there? What if Saul or his men see us? What will they do to us? All these questions must have been going through their minds as David and Abishai headed off for Saul's camp.

As David and Abishai arrived at Saul's <u>camp</u>, Saul and his men were all lying down sleeping. They saw Saul with his <u>spear</u> stuck in the ground by his head, and his second-incommand Abner sleeping by him. What a perfect opportunity for David to attack Saul! Abishai sure thought so! <u>Abishai</u> turned to David and said, "<u>God</u> has delivered your enemy into your <u>hand</u> this day. Now therefore, please, let me strike him at once with the spear, right to the earth; and I will not have to strike him a <u>second</u> time!" What would you do in David's place? [Allow students to answer.] Put your thumbs up if you think David should follow Abishai's advice and your thumbs down if you think David shouldn't listen to Abishai.

This is how David replied Abishai: "Do not destroy him; for who can stretch out his hand against the LORD's <u>anointed</u>, and be guiltless? As the LORD lives, the LORD shall strike him, or his day shall come to die, or he shall go out to battle and perish. The LORD forbid that I should stretch out my hand against the LORD's <u>anointed</u>. But please, take now the <u>spear</u> and the <u>water</u> jug that are by his head, and let us go." Discuss with the students what it means to be "the Lord's anointed." (To be chosen by God; to have oil poured on your head.) How was Saul an "anointed" one of God? (When the Israelites wanted a king, God told Samuel that Saul would be their king.)

So, David took the spear and water jug by Saul's head and went away; no one in Saul's camp saw or knew it, for the Lord had put them into a deep sleep. Then, David went to the other side of the hill where Saul's camp was and shouted out to the camp.

"Do you not answer, Abner?" David cried.

"Who are you, calling out to the king?" replied Abner. So David said, "Are you not a man? And who is like you in Israel? Why then have you not guarded your lord the king? For someone came to destroy your lord the king. This thing that you have done is not good. As the LORD lives, you deserve to die, because you have not guarded your master, the LORD's anointed. And now see where the king's spear is, and the jug of water that was by his head."

Recognizing David's voice, Saul answered, "Is that you, my son David?"

"Yes it is, my lord, O king." David replied, adding, "Why is my lord pursuing his servant? What have I done, and what wrong am I guilty of? Now let my lord the king listen to his servant's words. If the LORD has turned you against me, then may He accept an offering. If, however, people have done it, may they be cursed before the LORD! They have driven me today from my share in the LORD's inheritance and have said, 'Go, serve other gods.' Now do not let my blood fall to the ground far from the presence of the LORD. The king of Israel has come out to look for a flea—as one hunts a bird in the mountains."

Realizing that he had made a huge mistake, Saul answered back, "I have sinned. Return, my son David. For I will harm you no more, because my life was precious in your eyes today. Indeed I have acted like a fool and have been terribly wrong."

Then David said, "Here is the king's spear. Let one of your young men come and get it. May the LORD repay every man for his righteousness and his faithfulness; for the LORD delivered you into my hand today, but I would not stretch out my hand against the LORD's anointed. As surely as I valued your life today, so may the LORD value my life, and let Him deliver me from all trouble." Then Saul said to David, "May you be blessed, my son David! You shall both do great things and also still prevail." So David went on his way, and Saul returned to his place.

For Teachers

Review the answers with the students to make sure they have filled in the blanks correctly. Then, hand out Bible Discovery Worksheet #2 for the students to complete. Keep the Teacher Version for reference.



Linking to the Ten Basic Beliefs

Salvation is given by grace through faith.

David had one of the greatest examples of faith in the Bible, for he truly loved God's law and put it first in his life. He is even described as a man after God's own heart (Acts 13:22). In today's lesson, we learned how David had the perfect opportunity to avenge his oppressor Saul but did not take it. He did not forget that Saul had been chosen by God to serve His people, and he did not want to harm God's anointed. David believed that God would give Saul "what he deserved" in His own time. His faith and trust in God was stronger than his desire to attack or punish Saul.



5 Minutes

2-5 Minutes

- 1. What had made Saul so jealous of David? He was an excellent fighter and received more praise than Saul.
- 2. Who bravely chose to go with David to Saul's camp? Abishai.
- 3. What did David take from Saul's camp? Saul's spear and water jug that had been next to him.
- 4. Why did David choose to spare Saul's life? David feared God and dared not kill the Lord's anointed.
- **5. David had an important choice to make when he found Saul asleep. What other things could David have done?** Answers may vary. Possible answers: Take Saul as prisoner; attack the camp while everyone was fast asleep; kill everyone except Saul; kill Saul; etc.

*As students suggest David's possible actions, guide them in exploring the consequences of each choice. For example, if David had killed Saul, a war might have started. Furthermore, Saul's son Jonathan might have been forced to take revenge against David, even though they were best friends.

6. Do you think it was difficult or easy for David to make his choice? Why? David's decision could have been easy or difficult. Saul had been pursuing him relentlessly for no reason. By not killing Saul when he had the chance, David gave up the chance to get back at Saul for his evil deeds. David also risked getting killed by Saul in the future. Furthermore, David also knew that as soon as Saul was dead, he would become king. If David had been thinking of himself, then the decision to spare Saul's life would have been difficult. However, David's decision was based on God's way, which was the best way. It was easy for David to know that killing the Lord's anointed was wrong, because he feared God. In addition, David was also willing to wait for God's time.

HOMEWORK ANSWER KEY

1. False

- 5. Answers may vary.
- 6. Answers may vary.

^{2.} True

^{3.} Saul was the Lord's anointed and God had chosen him to be king over His people. David showed that he feared God and respected God's anointed.

^{4.} We must make decisions based on God's way, not our own way.

\tilde{V}^{-} Life Application

10 Minutes

1. Fearing God

When we talk about "fearing God," we don't mean to "fear" Him in the normal sense of the word. That is, we are not simply scared of Him. Look up the following verses and write down what each of them says about fearing God. Once you have a better understanding of the word, write down a few ways you think you can demonstrate your fear of God in your daily life.

[Hand out Life Application Worksheet #1 and ask the students to fill in the chart. Ask the students to share their answers after they have finished filling in the chart.]

Reference	"To fear God means to"
Psalm 128:1	walk in His ways.
Psalm 111:10	pursue wisdom and do His commandments.
Deuteronomy 10:12	love God and to serve Him.
Proverbs 3:7	turn away from evil.
Acts 10:35	do what is right.
Isaiah 11:3	not judge others.

So how do you think you can demonstrate your fear of God every day? Some examples might be obeying your parents, or helping a classmate who is being bullied. Try to think of some situations you might encounter or have already encountered, and write down actions you can take that would demonstrate your fear of the Lord.

2. God's Way vs. Our Way

[Hand out Life Application Worksheet #2 and ask students to read the scenarios. Then, ask the students if the characters in the scenarios chose their own way or God's way, and discuss what happened as a result of their decision. Lastly, go over the reflection questions provided below.]

Reflection Questions

Fearing God is not something most of us would likely choose on a daily basis. However, we have learned from David's example and from other scenarios that the fear of God is something worth choosing. Think about situations you have faced in the past week or month.

- 1. Describe one situation in which you showed fear of God and how things turned out because you did.
- 2. Describe one situation in which choosing to fear God could have helped you reach a different result.

He Knows Best

Sing "God's Way" from the hymn book with the class and discuss the lyrics.

Discussion Questions

- 1. According to this hymn, why is God's way the best way for us?
- 2. Looking at verse 2, what happens if we put our trust/faith in God?

Compare the scenario described in verse 1 with the events in today's lesson. Encourage your students to think of this hymn whenever they face difficult decisions in their lives.

David wasn't sure what would happen as a result of his decision not to kill Saul. It might have felt good to take revenge on Saul, but David knew that this wasn't right. He decided to do what he believed God wanted him to do and trusted that God's way was best. When we face difficult decisions and don't know which is the best choice, we can trust God, too, and ask Him to show us His way.



Activity Choosing God's Way

10-15 Minutes

We've been learning about choosing God's way, which isn't always an easy task. For one thing, sometimes it is difficult to discern God's way. What can help us know God's way when we have to make choices?

Materials

- Slips of paper
- Container
- A large sheet of paper, optional

Preparations

Before class, write the following right and wrong answers to the above-mentioned question. You may wish to add other responses, both appropriate and inappropriate.

- 1. Read the Bible
- 2. Go to church on Sabbath
- 3. Do what your friends tell you, even though you know it's wrong or your parents may not agree
- 4. Talk with an older, trustworthy church member for good advice
- 5. Listen to your parents
- 6. Imitate TV heroes
- 7. Pray for help
- 8. Do whatever you want secretly

Instructions

- 1. Place the slips of paper in a container and mix them up.
- 2. Have each student draw a slip, read the answer on it, and then tell if doing that would help a person know God's way. Discuss what is wrong with the unhelpful responses.
- 3. Write good responses on the board or a large sheet of paper and invite students to add other ideas.

We need these helpful pieces of advice at all times, because we'll always need help to choose God's way; even grownups need help. There are many instances in our lives where we must face difficult choices. For example, when a friend needs help or when we're frustrated and want to give up. No matter what the situation may be, we need to be loyal to God and keep His commandments, just as David did.

Group Activity

If time permits, have the students act out the story as a review. David's camp and Saul's camp should be on opposite sides of your class area. In Saul's camp, you'll need students to play Saul and Abner. The others can be guards. In David's camp, you'll need David and his companion Abishai. The other students can be David's soldiers, watching from a distance. Use props, such as a pitcher and a broom, to represent Saul's spear and water jug.

ISRAEL TIMES: INTERVIEW WITH ABISHAI

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We are here today to interview someone who was right there with David every step of the way. Please pick the words from the word bank to fill in the blanks.

Q: First, could you tell the readers who you are?

A: My name is <u>Abishai</u>. My brother is <u>Joab</u>, and I am a very close friend of <u>David</u>.

Q: Could you tell us a bit about your situation when Saul arrived at your hideout?

A: Well, we had heard that Saul was on the move, so we sent out some <u>spies</u> to scout the area. We discovered Saul and his <u>army</u> nearby.

Q: And what happened once David was told? Did he decide to run?

A: Actually, he didn't! David surprised all of us when he turned to us and asked this question: "Who will go down with me to Saul's camp?"

Q: How daring! What happened then?

A: Well, knowing that David must have some sort of plan, I volunteered. We went down into Saul's <u>camp</u> and found Saul. He had his <u>spear</u> stuck in the ground next to him, and <u>Abner</u>, Saul's second-in-command, was sleeping nearby. Seeing this, I naturally thought, well, this must mean that God has delivered Saul into David's hands! If I struck Saul down now, then David would no longer have to run, and would instead take his rightful place as king.

Q: But you didn't, obviously.

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Q: That was it? That's all you did while you were in Saul's camp?

A: Yes. We went back to our own camp, and then in the morning, David called out to Saul's camp. He asked Saul why he was chasing him. David then showed Saul the spear and water jug that he had taken, and Saul realized that the Lord had given David a chance to kill Saul. But David, being full of <u>righteousness</u> and <u>faithfulness</u>, didn't take that opportunity. It was then that Saul saw that chasing David was the wrong thing to do. So, he packed up his army and went home.

Q: Wow! David sure looks at things differently from regular people. Most would see someone chasing them as an enemy that needs to be killed.

A: That's true. But David's different because he's so close to God, and he sees things from God's perspective. David sees Saul as the Lord's anointed, not as an enemy. That's why he treats Saul so carefully even though his life has been threatened so many times.

Well! That sure clears up a lot of puzzling questions about the events that transpired. Thanks for joining us at the Israel Times today! We'll be back next time with more national news.

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David and (Ahimelech, Abishai) went to the army by night, and there was Saul, lying asleep inside the (camp, cave) with his (spear, sword) stuck in the ground near his head. Abner and the soldiers were lying around him. (Jonathan, Abishai) said to David, "(I, God) has delivered your enemy into your (hands, pocket) this day. Now therefore, please, let me strike him at once with the spear, right to the (ground, mat); and I will not have to strike him a (second, safer) time!

But David said to (Saul, Abishai), "(Go, Don't) destroy him! Who can lay a hand on the LORD's (enemy, anointed) and be guiltless? The LORD Himself will deal with him; either his time will come and he will die, or he will go into battle and perish. But the LORD forbid that I should lay on a hand on the LORD's (anointed, son). Now get the (stick, spear) and the (helmet, water jug) that are near his head, and let's go."

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Proverbs 3:7	
Acts 10:35	
lsaiah 11:3	

GOD'S WAY VS. OUR WAY

Instructions: Read the following scenarios and answer the questions that follow.

Scenario 1

Sebastian loved soccer and was excited to try out for his school team. His parents saw his excitement and encouraged him to attend the soccer tryouts. There were only ten spots open, so the competition was very fierce. One by one, the spots were filled. The last spot was either going to go to Sebastian or another boy in his class who was just as skilled as he was, maybe even a bit better. Sebastian saw his dad talking to one of the coaches and handing him something. When his dad saw him watching, he winked and gave Sebastian a thumbs up and a big grin. Sebastian wondered what was happening. The coaches deliberated and announced Sebastian would take the last spot. After the tryouts, Sebastian heard his dad say to his mom that he knew how important being a part of the soccer team would be for his son, and that he made sure it would be so. That night, Sebastian rolled around on his bed, thinking about the soccer tryouts. He really wanted to be a part of the team, but he knew it was wrong for him to have an unfair advantage because of his dad. If he wanted to do what was just and fair, he would have to speak up and probably lose his spot. Before falling asleep, Sebastian prayed to God and asked for courage to do what was right. Because he feared God, he also inquired of God's guidance about whether he should stay on the team.

The next morning, Sebastian went to the soccer coaches and explained that he believed that the other boy competing for the last spot was more talented than he was, and that he didn't want to be awarded the last spot without having truly earned it himself. The coaches discussed it and decided to give Sebastian and the other boy one more chance to try out for the team. That day, Sebastian noticed that he was running faster and scoring more goals than he had in his last tryout, but he didn't feel as if he were doing anything differently from the last time. At the end of the tryout, the coaches again decided to give Sebastian the last spot. They also decided that the boy he was competing against would join the team as a back-up. The other boy came over and thanked Sebastian for being fair and helping him get a second chance to make it onto the soccer team. Sebastian felt relieved that this time, he had earned his spot, and thankful to God for giving him the courage and speed to fulfill his dream of becoming a part of the team fairly.

Scenario 2

Catherine was a stellar student. She would read the lessons the previous night, take detailed notes during class, and turn in her homework on time. A big test was coming up, and all the students were very nervous about it. During lunch, some of Catherine's friends were whispering about a secret answer sheet they could all share to pass the test. Catherine had been studying for a couple of weeks already, but the test was so difficult that she wasn't sure if she would get a good score on it or even pass it. If only she could take a look at the answer sheet, then she would be sure to ace the test. All her friends agreed to meet after school that day to copy the secret answer sheet. Catherine was torn. If she didn't get a copy of the answer sheet, she might fail the test. But if she used the cheat sheet, all of her hard work during this school year would be meaningless. Catherine thought and prayed silently during the classes after lunch until the end of the school day. When the final bell of the day rang, she saw her friends rushing off to the agreed meeting place to copy the answer sheet. After hours of reflection and prayer, Catherine knew she couldn't go along with them because she feared God and knew that He expected better behavior from her. She continued studying in the week before the test and trusted that God would be there by her side when she took the exam.

The day of the test arrived, and for three hours, Catherine answered the questions to the best of her knowledge. Her friends finished the test quickly and left the classroom with big smiles on their faces. A week later, the test results were announced, and Catherine found that she had scored in the top 10%. What was surprising was that her friends' names were not included in the roster. She learned later that day that all the students who had used the cheat sheet were caught, so their test results were invalid. They would be receiving disciplinary action for academic dishonesty. By fearing God, Catherine kept a clear conscience and passed her big test.

E2 Year 2 Book 4 Lesson 5—David Doesn't Kill Saul Homework Assignment

Name: Parent signature: Weekly Bible Reading: Bible Reading: Check each box when you complete that day's reading. Prayer: Check each box after you pray to God that day.						Paren	t signa	ture: _	Date:		
						/ou co	mplete		What I Learned from the Bible This Week 1		
	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	-			
Read								:	2		
Pray								-			

Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. (Proverbs 3:5)

True or False

- 1. Abner went with David to Saul's camp. _____
- 2. Saul admitted he was wrong for chasing David.

Short Answer

- 3. Why would it have been wrong for David to attack Saul? How did David make the right choice by sparing Saul's life?
- 4. Explain the meaning of this week's memory verse.
- 5. Describe a time when someone did something mean to you. How did you feel? What did you do to calm yourself or feel better?
- 6. Describe a time when you needed to make a difficult decision and share the feelings you had during this time. Based on what you learned in class today, do you believe you made the right decision at that time? Would God be pleased with your choice? Explain in detail.