

## **Choices Have Consequences**

### **1 Samuel 21-22**

#### **I. David at Nob: Fear and Deception (1 Samuel 21:1-9)**

- A. Fear often causes us to project the very worst that can happen (1 Samuel 20:3; 21:1).
- B. Feelings are not accurate measures of the rightness or wrongness of an action (Exodus 20:16; Proverbs 6:16-19).

#### **II. David at Gath: Compromise and Humiliation (1 Samuel 21:10-15)**

- A. Foolish risks will only bring us trouble and despair (1 Samuel 21:10-12).
- B. Disregarding God's boundaries often results in public shame (1 Samuel 21:14-15; Judges 16:21-25).

#### **III. David at Adullam: Challenge and Restoration (1 Samuel 22)**

- A. God is concerned for the oppressed and afflicted (1 Samuel 22:1; Psalm 34:18-19).
- B. Every choice we make has real and lasting consequences (1 Samuel 8:10-22, 22:2; Galatians 6:7-9).

#### **IV. Conclusion**

What matters is not so much the events or circumstances of life, but our response to them.