

Sermon Worksheet, 5/31/09

Passage: 1 Samuel 20:1-42

Theme: I am God's Temple, No.2

*Don't you know that
you yourselves are
God's temple and that
God's Spirit lives in
you? (1 Cor 3:16)*



Observations:

- 1) First, try to get the context of this chapter: what happened before this? If you are not familiar with the story of David and Goliath, please read chapters from 17 onward. And if you have not read about king Saul how he was anointed as king, and was rejected by the Lord later, you will need to go back to chapter 10. Was David already anointed as king when he killed Goliath?
- 2) Because of what Jonathan said in v. 4, David had courage to ask him to do a certain thing (vv. 5ff). What was it that he wanted Jonathan to do? Underline the word “**kindness**” you find in his words.
- 3) At David's request, Jonathan promised something. What was it that he promised to do for David? At the same time, Jonathan came up with his own request. What was it? Underline the word “**kindness**” again in his words, and what do you think Jonathan meant by this? Explain the significance of this word if you can.

Personal Applications:

- 1) The relationship that Jonathan and David had is a good example of covenantal relationships. One important aspect in this type of relationship is expressed in v. 4. Do you find words similar to this in what Jesus said to the disciples in his farewell discourses (chs 13-17)? Pick them up.
- 2) All covenantal relationships are based upon love. What kind of love is this, though? Is it emotional? If not, what is it? Is this one-way type of love? Seeing how the word “**kindness (hesed)**” is used in the above passage, do you find any similarities in Jesus' farewell discourses? Pick up the verses where you find the similar ideas.
- 3) Pay attention to how Jonathan and David said good-bye to each other in v. 41. Try to imagine what was going on in their minds at that time. If you are to identify yourself with these characters, which one are you—David or Jonathan?

Prayers, and etc.

- 1) Thank God that you came into a very special relationship with Jesus and God. Pray that you come to see yourself more in this relationship in whatever you do.
- 2) Pray for yourself as a member of your group, and your family that your relationships will be based upon the biblical “**kindness**” you have learned about.
- 3) Continue to pray for “**everyone**” and “**all the saints**”—especially, for those whose hearts are being troubled. Pray also for the recent newcomers and the people whom you are preaching the gospel to. Don't forget to act, too: write E-mails, cards, etc.