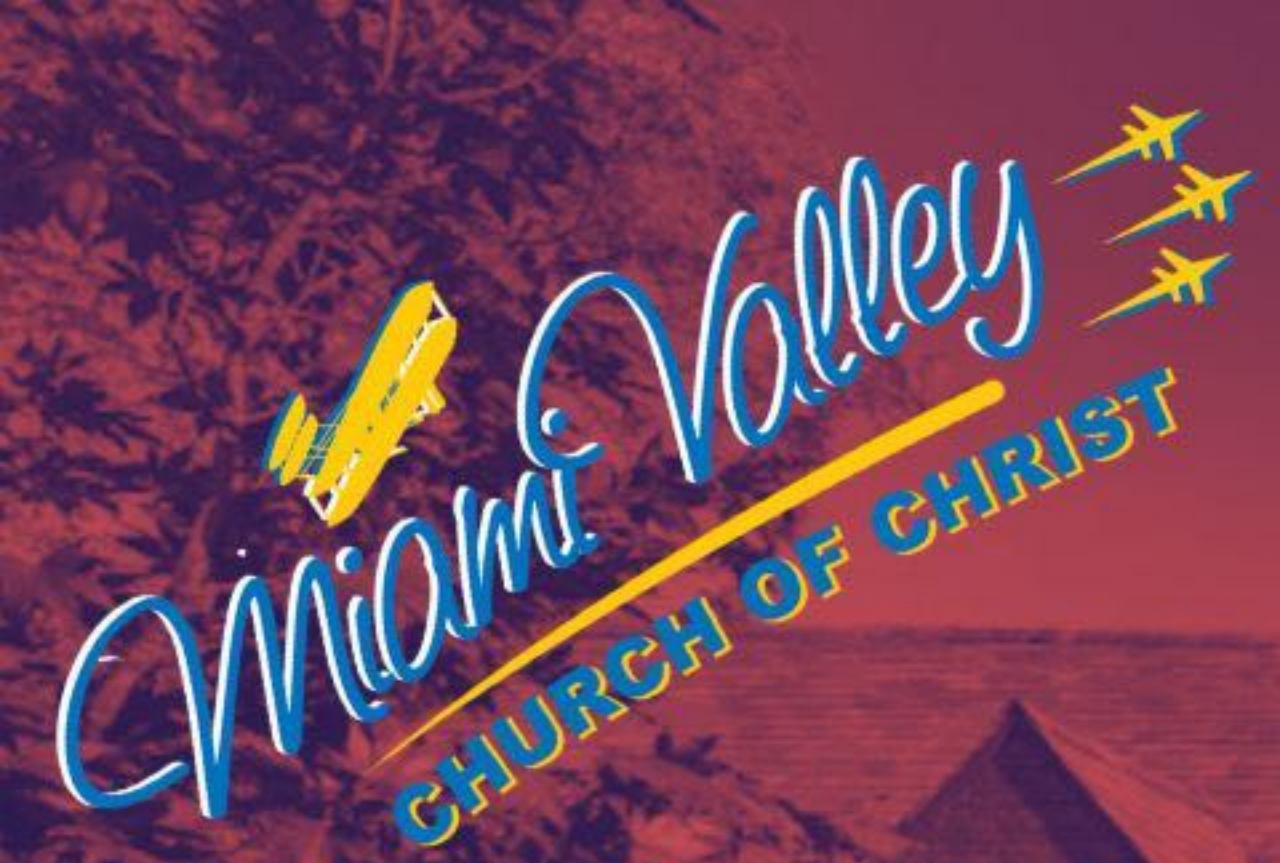


RISE

**TO
FREEDOM**





FEBRUARY 1
EVERYONE MIDWEEK | 7:15P
WRIGHT MEMORIAL LIBRARY
1776 FAR HILLS AVE, OAKWOOD



RISE

**TO
FREEDOM**



1 Samuel 16:14-17

14 Now the Spirit of the LORD had departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD tormented him. 15 Saul's attendants said to him, "See, an evil spirit from God is tormenting you. 16 Let our lord command his servants here to search for someone who can play the lyre. He will play when the evil spirit from God comes on you, and you will feel better." 17 So Saul said to his attendants, "Find someone who plays well and bring him to me."



1 Samuel 16:18-20

18 One of the servants answered, “I have seen a son of Jesse of Bethlehem who knows how to play the lyre. He is a brave man and a warrior. He speaks well and is a fine-looking man. And the LORD is with him.” 19 Then Saul sent messengers to Jesse and said, “Send me your son David, who is with the sheep.” 20 So Jesse took a donkey loaded with bread, a skin of wine and a young goat and sent them with his son David to Saul.



1 Samuel 16:21-23

21 David came to Saul and entered his service. Saul liked him very much, and David became one of his armor-bearers. 22 Then Saul sent word to Jesse, saying, “Allow David to remain in my service, for I am pleased with him.” 23 Whenever the spirit from God came on Saul, David would take up his lyre and play. Then relief would come to Saul; he would feel better, and the evil spirit would leave him.



1 Samuel 17:25

25 Now the Israelites had been saying, “Do you see how this man keeps coming out? He comes out to defy Israel. The king will give great wealth to the man who kills him. He will also give him his daughter in marriage and will exempt his family from taxes in Israel.”



1 Samuel 18:5

5 Whatever mission Saul sent him on, David was so successful that Saul gave him a high rank in the army. This pleased all the troops, and Saul's officers as well.



1 Samuel 18:6-9

6 When the men were returning home after David had killed the Philistine, the women came out from all the towns of Israel to meet King Saul with singing and dancing, with joyful songs and with timbrels and lyres. 7 As they danced, they sang: “Saul has slain his thousands, and David his tens of thousands.” 8 Saul was very angry; this refrain displeased him greatly. “They have credited David with tens of thousands,” he thought, “but me with only thousands. What more can he get but the kingdom?” 9 And from that time on Saul kept a close eye on David.



1 Samuel 18:10-12

10 The next day an evil spirit from God came forcefully on Saul. He was prophesying in his house, while David was playing the lyre, as he usually did. Saul had a spear in his hand 11 and he hurled it, saying to himself, "I'll pin David to the wall." But David eluded him twice. 12 Saul was afraid of David, because the LORD was with David but had departed from Saul.



“Saul has slain his thousands and
David his ten thousands.”



Think of the thoughts David would
have had?



Why would God not only allow this
but also plan it?



Why would God not only allow this but
also plan it?

Why was favor dangled before David's eyes
only to have it abruptly taken away?



1 Samuel 24:8-9

8 Then David went out of the cave and called out to Saul, “My lord the king!” When Saul looked behind him, David bowed down and prostrated himself with his face to the ground. 9 He said to Saul, “Why do you listen when men say, ‘David is bent on harming you’?”



1 Samuel 24:10-11

10 This day you have seen with your own eyes how the LORD delivered you into my hands in the cave. Some urged me to kill you, but I spared you; I said, 'I will not lay my hand on my lord, because he is the LORD's anointed.' 11 See, my father, look at this piece of your robe in my hand! I cut off the corner of your robe but did not kill you. See that there is nothing in my hand to indicate that I am guilty of wrongdoing or rebellion. I have not wronged you, but you are hunting me down to take my life.



1 Samuel 24:10-11

11 “my father”



Where is our faith when have the
chance too avenge?



Do you desire to do whatever you
can to create harm?



1 Samuel 24:12

“Let the Lord judge between you and me, and let the Lord avenge me on you. But my hand shall not be against you.”



1 Samuel 24:12

“Let the Lord judge between you and me, and let the Lord avenge me on you. But my hand shall not be against you.”

1 Samuel 24:17

“Then he said to David: “You are more righteous than I; for you have rewarded me with good, whereas I have rewarded you with evil.”



“the Lord will avenge me on you..”





1 Samuel 26:8

“God has delivered your enemy into your hand 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 second time!”



Why Should David Kill Saul?

1. Saul has killed innocent people



Why Should David Kill Saul?

1. Saul has killed innocent people
2. Kill Saul in self defense
3. It's time for David to claim his inheritance



Why Should David Kill Saul?

1. Saul has killed innocent people
2. Kill Saul in self defense
3. It's time for David to claim his inheritance
4. God has given me this chance



Why Should David Kill Saul?

1. Saul has killed innocent people
2. Kill Saul in self defense
3. It's time for David to claim his inheritance
4. God has given me this chance

Why does David not kill Saul?



1 Samuel 26:9-11

9 But David said to Abishai, “Don’t destroy him! Who can lay a hand on the Lord’s anointed and be guiltless? 10 As surely as the Lord lives,” he said, “the Lord himself will strike him, or his time will come and he will die, or he will go into battle and perish. 11 But the Lord forbid that I should lay a hand on the Lord’s anointed. Now get the spear and water jug that are near his head, and let’s go.”



Let's pray to be people that walk around
with a heart like David when offended



Proverbs 18:21

“21 Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit.”



Proverbs 6:16-19

“16 These six things the Lord hates, Yes, seven are an abomination to Him: 17 A proud look, A lying tongue, Hands that shed innocent blood, 18 A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that are swift in running to evil, 19 A false witness who speaks lies, And one who sows discord among brethren.”



2 Samuel 1:14-15

“14 So David said to him, "How was it you were not afraid to put forth your hand to destroy the Lord's anointed?" 15 Then David called one of the young men and said, "Go near, and execute him!" And he struck him so that he died.”



