

1 Samuel 24

February 1, 2026

Discussion Questions

Opening

1. Welcome each person by name
2. Ask each person to briefly introduce themselves if they have not done so
3. Then invite each person to give one word (or two) to describe how they are feeling right now
4. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide your discussion

Warm-up Question (optional)

Describe an experience you've had when you've been tempted to act against your conscience.

Reading

1. Invite several people to read through 1 Samuel 24 slowly perhaps each takes a paragraph
2. Give the group 2 minutes to reflect silently on the 1 Samuel 24

Discussion: Feel free to select one or two or more questions

- What surprises you in this passage?
- What consequences might David have faced if he had given into his men's suggestions (v.4)?
- What's the big deal about cutting off a corner of Saul's robe (v.4)?
- In what ways does David show exemplary leadership?
- What insights could be gleaned about refuting false narratives from Saul's interaction face-to-face with David (v. 9ff)?
- Do you have relationships with people who are paranoid, jealous and insecure? If so, how might 1 Sam 24 and Romans 12:17-19 inform your behavior?
- How can you be sure your conscience is operating as a reliable guide for your behavior (2 Samuel 24:10, 1 Timothy 4:2)? Is there anything today in your life that is bothering your conscience?

Prayer: 15 minutes before the end of the meeting

- Invite people to share specific areas of praise or thanksgiving to the Lord
- Invite people to share particular prayer needs
- Invite people to pray openly
- Close with the Lord's Prayer together