

3. Trying to look good while being bad loses sight of God's kingdom.
(1 Samuel 18:17-19:17)

4. God does whatever He pleases, so jealousy cannot triumph.
(1 Samuel 19:18-24)

Table Talk

- 1) How does Jonathan show that he is not about building his own kingdom? Why should we defend Jonathan against modern reinterpretation of his relationship with David? (18:1-5)
- 2) How does the sin of comparison destroy Saul? How have you seen that sin harms you? (18:6-16)
- 3) How does Saul try to look good while actually plotting evil? Have you ever tried to keep up the pretenses of being good when you actually were trying to do wrong? What harm comes from that kind of double life? (18:17-19:17)
- 4) Why do you think that Saul was able to prophesy? Is the fact that a person can tell truth from God a proof that that person knows God? How does this strange part of the story show the freedom of God? (19:18-24)