

The Prince's Shame
1 Samuel 20:24-42
November 8, 2020

I. Summary of V. 1-23

- A. You cannot fulfill God's purpose without God's people.
- B. God's people remind us we cannot accomplish God's mission _____.

II. The Prince's Honor (V. 24-29)

- A. God's people can protect you from _____ and _____.

III. The Prince's Shame (V. 30-34)

- A. God's people are bound together by the Holy Spirit, not _____.
- B. God's people glorify Him by _____ you.

IV. The Prince's Glory (V. 35-42)

- A. God's people _____ us in ways no one else can.

Group Discussion Questions

1. Read 1 Samuel 20:24-42
2. No one had more to lose than Jonathan from David being saved. So, why do you think David thought it was a good idea to go to him for help?
3. Have you ever been in a place when helping someone came at great personal cost and no personal gain, but you felt compelled by God to help them anyway? How?
4. David could not have skipped the New Moon Feast without casting suspicion on himself unless he had Jonathan's help. What are some healthy ways a Christian today can use other Christians to help protect him/her from suspicion and disrepute as he/she fulfills God's calling on their life?
5. Keep in mind, Jonathan betraying David and giving him over to his father would have been a socially acceptable (and certainly common) thing to do. Have social norms ever threatened your bond with other Christians? How did you or they overcome them?
6. Have you ever been moved to defend or protect a brother or sister in Christ from injustice? What were you moved to do and why?
7. Have you ever been encouraged by a brother or sister in Christ in a way no one else could encourage you? How?
8. Pray for each other, that the members of Apollo Baptist Church would lean on each other for encouragement and Christ-centered unity. Review the Prayer Guide about prayer needs throughout the congregation.

Church Bible Reading Plan

Bible Reading Plan: 1 Chronicles 10-14

November Memory Verses: Psalm 119:11 and 2 Timothy 2:15

Join us for Prayer: Tuesday Evenings at 7:00PM — Dial 701-802-5374 and at the prompt enter 5160582#

Psalm 100:3-5

*Know that the Lord, He is God! It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.
Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise! Give thanks to Him; bless His name!
For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.*

Our Vision: To create a culture of discipleship that leads to worship and compels us to be on mission.

PRAY for us as a church family to grow in our devotion and our discipleship.
PRAY that we would be faithful in all our individual areas of ministry.
PRAY that God will draw many to Himself in this difficult time.
PRAY for YOUR ONE to be saved.
PRAY for our upcoming Grief Share events. (Surviving the Holidays on November 8 and Grief Share small group starting November 15)
PRAY for the ASU West college ministry.
PRAY for the AWANA ministry every Wednesday evening—and the need for Awana nursery helpers.
PRAY for the people of Pulus in Indonesia to have the opportunity to hear and respond to the Gospel.
PRAY for Dr. Doug and Cheryl D. to be able to return to their field of service soon.
PRAY for the Family Revival Night. (November 24)

Our Mission: To Care as Jesus CARES:

PRAY for God's protection from the COVID virus as we worship in person.
PRAY that we will love and encourage each other by reaching out to our membership.
PRAY that God will continue to use the FOOD BOX MINISTRY to bring people to Himself and that we will keep the food pantry stocked.
PRAY for the hospital workers, first responders and police officers to be drawn to God and to be filled with His strength, love, and ability.
PRAY for all our schools/teachers/administrators/workers in this school year with difficulties never before encountered.
PRAY for us all to be a source of light in the darkness of racial prejudice.
PRAY for our country and for us to be godly citizens.
PRAY that we will each be faithful to give financially to Apollo Baptist Church so that we can have the funds to continue ministering.
PRAY for the effectiveness of Operation Christmas Child.

Our Church Family:

PRAY for Pastor Gary and our other pastors (Pastor Jim, Pastor Reginald, Pastor Brian) as they seek God's way to lead our church.
PRAY for our intern, Juliana S., and her ministry.
PRAY for our deacons to be able to keep up with their families and contacts effectively.
PRAY for additional preschool volunteers to care for children once a month during the morning worship service.

Pray For Our Church Family Needs:

- Those struggling with fear and anxiety because of the pandemic
- Families who are grieving the recent loss of loved ones
 - Charity M. (cousin, Johanna and great aunt, Olga), Rebecca R. (brother), Ray and Sue J. (daughter-in-law, Lynette), Dan and Shirley S. (Dan's father), Nancy C. (father, Pete)
 - Grief Share participants
- Those struggling with cancer issues:
 - Mary C. (breast cancer), Brenda R. (blood cancer and possible donors of bone marrow), Leroy D. (his brother), Ketty B's. grandmother (breast cancer)
- Those struggling with chronic health issues:
 - Michelle L. (migraines), Rezwana D. (migraines), Mary R. (possibly starting dialysis), Ruthie C. (severe weight loss), Jimmy (grandson of Raul and Cindy O. has autism), Laura M. (neck vertebrae with ruptured disc causing extreme pain), Larry D. (brain bleed not completely healed), Gary F. (currently in hospice at home), Barbara B. (rehab center and now has COVID), Ken R. (daughter-in-law has pneumonia), Bob B.'s mom (fell and fractured vertebrae in her neck), Don R. (sciatica pain)
- Those awaiting surgery:
 - Brenda R. (bone marrow transplant), Laura M. (Nov. 25-neck vertebrae), James M. (cleaning out the veins in his legs)
- Those recovering from surgery:
 - Kevin M. (vertebrae surgery), Butch L. (slowly healing from skin cancer surgery and infection), Jonathan B. (hand surgery), Mary R. (dialysis related surgery), Judy H. (hip surgery)
- Those struggling with family relational issues:
 - Julia B. (family), Ketty B. (friend), Marge D. (a son)
- Those needing employment:
 - Larry S., Billy H.
- Others that you are aware of