

Sermon Discussion Guide – Pursuing – 1 Samuel 24

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1. Looking at the Story

- What stands out to you most in David's interaction with Saul?
- What does David's approach (honor, restraint, humility) teach us about dealing with enemies or people who have hurt us?

2. Grace vs. Avoidance

- What's your first reaction when someone wrongs you—avoidance, retaliation, or pursuit?
- What makes it difficult to pursue grace with someone who doesn't deserve it or who hasn't changed?

3. Trusting God with Justice

- How does David's statement, "May the Lord judge between you and me," challenge the way we handle conflict?
- Why is it so hard to trust God with the outcomes of broken relationships?

4. Living Like Christ

- Read Romans 5:8. How does God's pursuit of us reshape how we respond to others?
- How can our churches reflect the heart of God in how we treat outsiders, the hurting, or even those who are "hard to love"?

5. Going Deeper

- Who is someone in your life that you tend to avoid rather than pursue with grace?
- What might it look like to pursue grace in that relationship this week?

Group Challenge

Be intentional this week about taking one small step toward someone you've avoided, judged, or written off. Maybe it's a text, a prayer, or a kind word. Let grace go first.