1 Samuel 18:1-5 & 19:1-7 International Bible Lesson Study Guide New International Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study. Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

- 1. What does this verse say?
- 2. What does this verse mean to me?
- 3. Discuss your answers with the class.
- (1 Samuel 18:1) After David had finished talking with Saul, Jonathan became one in spirit with David, and he loved him as himself.
- (1 Samuel 18:2) From that day Saul kept David with him and did not let him return home to his family.
- (1 Samuel 18:3) And Jonathan made a covenant with David because he loved him as himself.
- (1 Samuel 18:4) Jonathan took off the robe he was wearing and gave it to David, along with his tunic, and even his sword, his bow and his belt.
- (1 Samuel 18:5) 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 19:1) Saul told his son Jonathan and all the attendants to kill David. But Jonathan had taken a great liking to David
- (1 Samuel 19:2) and warned him, "My father Saul is looking for a chance to kill you. Be on your guard tomorrow morning; go into hiding and stay there.
- (1 Samuel 19:3) I will go out and stand with my father in the field where you are. I'll speak to him about you and will tell you what I find out."
- (1 Samuel 19:4) Jonathan spoke well of David to Saul his father and said to him, "Let not the king do wrong to his servant David; he has not wronged you, and what he has done has benefited you greatly.
- (1 Samuel 19:5) He took his life in his hands when he killed the Philistine. The LORD won a great victory for all Israel, and you saw it and were glad.

Why then would you do wrong to an innocent man like David by killing him for no reason?"

(1 Samuel 19:6) Saul listened to Jonathan and took this oath: "As surely as the LORD lives, David will not be put to death."

(1 Samuel 19:7) So Jonathan called David and told him the whole conversation. He brought him to Saul, and David was with Saul as before.

Write out the verse or verses you have been assigned below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

- 1. What does the verse say?
- 2. What does the verse mean to me?