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David Spares Saul Twice by
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Lesson 6: DAVID SPARED SAUL'S LIFE (TWICE) (1st Samuel 24-26)

The Bible says that King Saul and his soldiers chased David to try to kill him. Even though David had never done anything wrong toward the king, Saul's heart was full of jealousy and anger, so he kept trying to kill David. But David knew that King Saul was still God's chosen king. So, David never hurt King Saul. He knew God was in control and it still wasn't his turn to be the king yet.



God protected David. Lots of warriors loved and respected David, so they joined him and helped keep him safe and strong.

One time, King Saul was chasing David in the wilderness of Engedi. Saul decided to go into a cave for a break. Saul didn't know that David and his men were hiding in the back of the cave.



David quietly crept up behind Saul and used his knife to cut off a little fabric of Saul's robe.

A little while later, Saul left the cave. David came out too and shouted, "My King Saul." When Saul turned to look, David bowed down to the ground.





David said, "Why do you listen when people tell you 'David wants to hurt you?' Even some of my men told me to kill you, but I will not hurt the man that God has chosen to be king."

Look at this piece of fabric. I didn't hurt you. I just cut off a piece of your robe. God will decide if you or I am right, but my hand will not reach out to hurt you."



Saul was ashamed and cried out, "You are better than me, David. I know that God will make you King and that the Kingdom of Israel will become strong under your lead." After that Saul left.

But King Saul didn't change his heart. The jealous angry thoughts filled his mind, so he began chasing David again.



One night, God made sure that Saul and his soldiers were sound asleep. David found their camp. David and one of his soldiers crept up beside Saul. The soldier said, "God has given you this chance to kill your enemy. Let me kill him for you." David said, "No! We will not kill God's anointed. God will take care of Saul himself."

Instead of hurting Saul, David took his spear and water jug and quietly slipped away. He went to the top of a nearby hill and called down, "Wake up, soldiers! You aren't guarding God's chosen king! Where is your king's spear and jug of water?"



David held up the spear and jug of water. He told Saul that again he had had a chance to hurt King Saul, but he didn't do it. No matter how mean Saul was, David was not going to hurt Saul back. Saul and his soldiers left, and David went back to hiding. He knew that God's timing is perfect. David would wait for God's timing, no matter what.

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THINK ABOUT THIS:

1. David showed respect for God. **What do you learn about God in this lesson?**

2. David showed King Saul MERCY. **What is MERCY?** _____

Would that be hard in this situation? _____

3. **How is this like what God does for us?** _____
