

LEADERSHIP IN CRISIS MODE
(1 Samuel 28)

Matthew 7:24-27

I. David's _____ Situation (28:1-2)

1. King Achish informs David that he & his men were _____ to go with the Philistine forces to engage Israel in _____.
2. "Surely you know what your servant can _____ when it comes to a _____!"
3. Therefore, Achish assigned David as his personal _____ forever!

II. Saul's _____ Situation (28:3-25)

- What is the *context* for this crisis situation? 5 things are mentioned:
 - a. Samuel had _____ leaving Saul w/o a person to _____ him in life!
 - b. Saul, in an attempt to get _____ with God had put all mediums & spiritists out of _____, as this was what the Law of Moses had demanded.
 - c. The Philistines were gathering for _____ against Israel at their border.
 - d. When Saul _____ the Philistine's massive army he greatly _____ & _____!
 - e. When Saul finally inquired of the Lord, the lord _____ answer him!
 - What were "mediums" & "spiritists"?
1. Instead of trusting God, Saul's unbelief & fear caused him to turn to _____ for advice & counsel as what to do.
 2. Because of this decision, Saul _____ himself & went to meet the medium under cover of _____!
 3. Saul requested a _____ & that she would bring up the _____ of the one Saul would name to her!
 - Instead of looking to the _____, Saul seeks contact with the _____!
 4. The medium was very _____ as this could be a _____ that could cost her, her very _____!
 5. But Saul _____ to her by the _____, that no harm will come to her for this!

- Can a medium really do this?
- What biblical evidence do we have for this?

7. God used this opportunity to providentially _____ to Saul concerning his past _____ & future _____!

8. She said she saw a _____ descending out of the earth!

9. When Saul perceived it was Samuel, he bowed _____ & gave him _____!

- Why did God allow Samuel to appear?
- “Why have you disturbed me by bringing me up”, Samuel asked?

Saul’s reasons:

- Saul was in _____ over this situation
- The Philistines are about to _____ Israel
- God, it seems, has _____ from me
- He does not _____ me any more, by any means
- Therefore I have called you that you may _____ to me what I _____!

Samuel’s answer: (28:16-20)

- Why ask me? The problem is that you _____ from the Lord & His ways long ago!
- The Lord has done as He said, He has taken the kingdom _____ you & given it to _____!
- This is because you did not _____ His word concerning Amalek!
- Tomorrow the Lord will _____ Israel into the hands of the Philistines!
- Tomorrow you & your sons will be _____ in the spirit world!

10. On hearing the news of his impending _____ Saul collapsed & became deathly afraid!

11. Saul has his _____ before going back to his men & his last battle!

- What can we learn from this chapter?