

# **A Tragic End**

1 Samuel 27-28

## FOR FURTHER THOUGHT:

1. What seems to motivate David's decision to seek safety in the land of the Philistines (27:1)? How could his actions throughout 27:1-12 be interpreted as betraying a lack of trust in God as well as a failure to rest in the promises that God made to him?
2. Why is turning to occult practices so evil? What is dangerous about it? What does it reveal about our relationship with God?
3. What are your reflections on a biblical view of mediums and contacting the dead?
4. Where in your life do you struggle to listen to the voice of God? Where in your life are you excusing your disobedience to God? What is it that makes this so dangerous?
5. Where does a life of repeated disobedience to God lead? How can this warning encourage us toward faithfulness to Christ? Read and discuss Hebrews 3:12-13.
6. How does this passage show the grace and mercy of Jesus for us? What did Jesus endure on the cross in addition to the physical pain?