

Caring for the Rejected

1 Samuel 22-23

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David provides protection (1 Sam. 22:1-5)

Focused on God in the midst of trials (Ps. 57)

- My soul trusts in You, God
- 'til the storm passes by
- My soul is among lions
- Be exalted O, God
- My enemies have set traps for me
- My heart is fixed on You, God

David's care for his parents (1 Sam 22:3a, 4)

- He has to find a safe place for them
- Mizpeh in Moab – Jesse had Moabite lineage

David testifies that he trusted God (v. 3b)

- "Till I know what God will do for me."
 - o A statement of confident faith (I *will* know)
 - o A statement to a foreign king (not a priest or prophet)

God shows David what to do (one step at a time) (v. 5)

- The prophet Gad brings a message from God
 - o "Leave the stronghold & go back to Judah"
- David leaves
 - o Hides in the Forest (lit. "thicket") of Hareth

Saul strikes God's men (1 Sam. 22:6-19)

David provides protection (1 Sam. 22:20-23)