



How to Deal With Unexpected Events

Message Notes - 7/31 & 8/1/2010

God wants me to turn to _____ when a crisis hits.

I Samuel 30:1-6a

1 Now it happened, when David and his men came to Ziklag, on the third day, that the Amalekites had invaded the South and Ziklag, attacked Ziklag and burned it with fire, **2** and had taken captive the women and those who *were* there, from small to great; they did not kill anyone, but carried *them* away and went their way. **3** So David and his men came to the city, and there it was, burned with fire; and their wives, their sons, and their daughters had been taken captive. **4** Then David and the people who *were* with him lifted up their voices and wept, until they had no more power to weep. **5** And David's two wives, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the widow of Nabal the Carmelite, had been taken captive. **6** Now David was greatly distressed, for the people spoke of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and his daughters...

David is at one of the _____ points in His life.

I Samuel 30: 6b-8

...But David strengthened himself in the LORD his God.

7 Then David said to Abiathar the priest, Ahimelech's son, "Please bring the ephod here to me." And Abiathar brought the ephod to David. **8** So David inquired of the LORD, saying, "Shall I pursue this troop? Shall I overtake them?"

David strengthened himself in the _____.

God will use a crisis in my life to get my _____.

David seeks God's _____.

David _____.

I Samuel 30:17-19

17 Then David attacked them from twilight until the evening of the next day. Not a man of them escaped, except four hundred young men who rode on camels and fled. **18** So David recovered all that the Amalekites had carried away, and David rescued his two wives. **19** And nothing of theirs was lacking, either small or great, sons or daughters, spoil or anything which they had taken from them; David recovered all.

God gives them _____.

Next Steps

1. Go to God first when I am faced with a crisis.
2. Begin a relationship with God if I don't already have one.
3. Seek God's will to know how to proceed through the crisis.
4. Make a choice to obey Him and trust Him in the midst of the crisis.