

I. Eating the Show-Bread

- A. David is fleeing King Saul (see Leviticus 15:18)
- B. Objections to David eating the show-bread (see Leviticus 21)
- C. Different explanations for why David had a right to the show-bread (Leviticus 19:18).
- D. Love over holiness? (James 2:13; Luke 11:42; 1 Corinthians 13:13; Isaiah 6 with Matthew 8:13)

II. The Enemy's Weapons

- A. David asks for, and gets, the sword of Goliath the Gittite (1 Samuel 17:50-51).
- B. David and Saul *both* make use of Philistine weapons. (1 Samuel 17:7; see 13:22; 18:10-11; 19:9; 20:33; 22:6; 26:7 2 Samuel 1:6)
- C. There are two different ways to use the enemy's weapons:
- D. God's people will lay hands on the assets of their enemies – will they “go into business for themselves,” or use those assets in order to fight God's battles? (Revelation 2:4; 3:16; Jeremiah 29:1-9)

III. The Exodus of the Son

- A. Much like Israel ... David flees the “Pharaoh” of Gibeah into the wilderness.
- B. Sometimes God's people will find themselves at odds with their leaders
- C. When we find ourselves in opposition to our leaders ...
- D. Pride, rebellion, retaliation, and a refusal to forgive are dreadful sins

IV. From the King's Table to the Lord's

- A. How does it feel to be rejected?
- B. We serve a Lord who left Heaven to be with us.
- C. As you follow him, be ready to enter the wilderness. (John 15:20).
- D. If you seek the kingdom of God, the kingdom of man is not going to be happy.
- E. But do not be afraid: God's people are blessed, even in exile.