

LIFE'S PATHS

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"So David left Gath and escaped to the cave of Adullam. Soon his brothers and all his other relatives joined him there. ² Then others began coming—men who were in trouble or in debt or who were just discontented—until David was the captain of about 400 men." 1 Samuel 22:1–2 (NLT)

What might they have seen and wanted?

- A man standing tall in desperate places.
- A man standing tall among the defeated.
- A man standing tall while facing giants.
- A man standing tall faithful to God.

How did David remain faithful? He tells us two things mattered:

¹ *"Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners or sit in the company of mockers. ² but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night. ³ That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither—whatever they do prospers. ⁴ Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away. ⁵ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous. ⁶ For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked leads to destruction."* (Psalm 1:1-6 NIV)

1. I paid attention to the paths I walked.
 - People are like paths.
2. I devoted myself to God's WORD.

Challenge:

- What paths am I on?
- Will I encounter God on this path?
- What new path will I begin?
- What old path will I leave?