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For Today:

Sometimes You Only Get Four Words

Sometimes it feels like God is quiet. During such moments, I tend to run into people that tell me God is talking entire phone books of information to them. But there are moments of quietness in our lives. It is interesting to see in the Bible that other people had similar moments.

In 1 Samuel 23, David and his men are hiding from Saul when they hear that the Philistines are attacking Keilah. Against the wishes of his men, David leads his army into Keilah to defeat the Philistines. Saul figures that with David and his men tired from their battle and trapped inside the walls of Keilah, now is the perfect time to attack. David learns of Saul's plans and tells his priest, "Bring the ephod." He cries out: "O Lord, God of Israel, your servant has heard definitely that Saul plans to come to Keilah and destroy the town on account of me. Will the citizens of Keilah surrender me to him? Will Saul come down, as your servant has heard? O Lord, God of Israel, tell your servant."

Sometimes I feel guilty about asking God specific questions but David is detailed here. God's answer to the question will Saul come down? "He will." Again David asked, "Will the citizens of Keilah surrender me and my men to Saul?" God's answer? "They will." Forget for a moment that certain death is marching toward David and the people he's just saved are going to turn him over as soon as that certain death arrives. At this point in the story, 600 adrenaline-drunk, battle beaten men are trapped inside the walls of a city that is not their own. David reaches out to God for a message. Surely God has some deep, possibly detailed thoughts about this situation. But all God does to break that silence is give David four words. He will. They will.

So often I demand more words than that from God just to motivate myself to get out of bed. David had four. With four words he had to motivate 600 men to flee. Have you ever tried to motivate six people to choose a restaurant for dinner?

Verse 12 ends "And the Lord said, "They will." Verse 13 begins with "So David and his men, about six hundred in number, left Keilah and kept moving from place to place." Where was the analysis? Between verse 12 and 13, where was the wrestling and triple checking and months of prayer? In the space of a verse, David left, and in doing so, saved the lives of his men and the entire city, for the second time. Next time I find myself asking God for detailed instructions, instead I should ask him for the wisdom to hear the four words he does give me and the courage to act on them.



To him that soweth
Righteousness
shall be a sure
Reward

Proverbs 11:18



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Sabbath, October 17, 2020



Sabbath Worship

Rejoicing in God's Presence, 9:30 a.m.

Welcome Frank Thieme

Adults Sabbath School, Sanctuary, 9:50–10:40 a.m. Robert Steele

Hymn of the Month, "Fight the Good Fight" Hymn 613

Welcome and Announcements, 10:45 a.m. Frank Thieme

God's Family in Worship, 11 a.m.

Preparing our hearts for worship. Leaders and congregation kneel in prayer.

Opening Hymn, "I Gave My Life for Thee" Hymn 281

Scripture: Galatians 6:7-9 (see below)

Prayer and Praise

Congregation Hymn *Hear Our Prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord; Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace. Amen.*

Call for Morning Offering Local Church Budget

Doxology, "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" Hymn 694

Children's Story Pastor Denny Evans

Special Music Lanny DeVer

Sermon: **Wages or Reward** Pastor Denny Evans

Closing Hymn, "Jesus Saves" Hymn 340

Benediction

Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

Galatians 6:7-9



Welcome

We are glad that you came to worship Jesus with us today! Our prayer is that you will experience God's presence and blessing.

Upcoming Speaker: Sabbath, October 24, Pastor Jason Worf

Announcements

Revelation Now Seminar Meeting for all volunteers, immediately after church today for 15 minutes, before potluck, for seminar planning.

Prayer Meeting: Wednesdays from 3 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The group is studying Ephesians.

Prayer Requests: Call Janet Remitz at 406-847-5526.

Amazing Prophecies of the Bible Series: Sandpoint Adventist Church hosting now through Sunday, October 31 at 7 p.m.

On This Mountain, UCC Fall Women's Virtual Retreat, Sabbath, October 24: Keynote speaker Kara Johnsson. Register online at www.uccsda.org/womensretreat and receive a free gift bag.

Celebrate Creation upcoming on October 24. Creation Sabbath is a special time to recognize God's power and grace as Creator and Redeemer.



Amazing Facts "Revelation Now" from November 6 through 28 at our church. Invite your friends and relatives. Soup and bread from 5:30 p.m. and seminar from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Will be held in the Fellowship Hall.

Thanksgiving Community Dinner: From 1 p.m. on Wednesday, November 25.

Sabbath, December 12, Christmas Open House: details being planned.



Clark Fork, sunset tonight: 5:49 p.m.; next Friday night: 5:39 p.m.