

## From Shepherd to King

March 30, 2025 – Chapter Eleven  
Adult Bible Class

### Chapter 11: A Compass After God's Own Heart

1. Focus on the mission God has put in front of you \_\_\_\_\_.

*"The most radical thing you can do spiritually is to do the very next thing God tells you to do."*

2. Never let \_\_\_\_\_ be your compass.

*"Come, my friends, 'tis not too late to seek a newer world. For my purpose holds to sail beyond the sunset. To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield."*

–Tennyson

3. David's third "toward" episode: straight to \_\_\_\_\_.

*You are my strength; I wait for you to rescue me, for you, O God, are my place of safety. In his unfailing love, my God will come and help me. He will let me look down in triumph on all my enemies. But as for me, I will sing about your power. I will shout with joy each morning because of your unfailing love. For you have been my refuge, a place of safety in the day of distress. O my strength, to you I sing praises, for you, O God, are my refuge, the God who shows me unfailing love.*

Psalm 59:9-10, 16

*God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise, and he chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. He chose what the world thinks is unimportant and what the world looks down on and thinks is nothing in order to destroy what the world thinks is important. God did this so that no one can brag in his presence.*

1 Corinthians 1:27-29

*"How glorious the king of Israel looked today! He exposed himself to the servant girls like any indecent person might do!"*

2 Samuel 6:20

*"David retorted to Michal, 'I was dancing before the LORD, who chose me above your father and his family!'"*

2 Samuel 6:21

### Observations and Takeaways

1. \_\_\_\_\_ to leadership is always important.

*At the place where the road passes some sheepfolds, Saul went into a cave to relieve himself. But as it happened, David and his men were hiding in that very*

*cave! "Now's your opportunity!" David's men whispered to him. "Today is the day the LORD was talking about when he said, 'I will certainly put Saul into your power, to do with as you wish.'" Then David crept forward and cut off a piece of Saul's robe. But then David's conscience began bothering him because he had cut Saul's robe. "The LORD knows I shouldn't have done it," he said to his men. "It is a serious thing to attack the LORD's anointed one, for the LORD himself has chosen him." So David sharply rebuked his men and did not let them kill Saul.*

1 Samuel 24:3-7

*"You servants must submit to your masters and show them complete respect, not only to those who are kind and considerate, but also to those who are harsh. God will bless you for this, if you endure the pain of undeserved suffering because you are conscious of his will."*

1 Peter 2:18-19

1. Always wait for God's \_\_\_\_\_.
  - If you've got to force your way, it probably isn't.
  - If you've got to form a coup, it probably isn't.
  - If you've got to destroy something to get to it, it probably isn't.
  - If it comes to you, esp. as a result of prolonged prayer, it probably is.
  - If the counsel of wise friends warn you, it probably isn't.
  - If the counsel of rash friends encourage you, it probably isn't.
  - If the counsel of wise friends encourage you, it probably is.
  
2. Good leaders know when to \_\_\_\_\_.

### Discussion Questions

1. Which of your revealed missions do you most need to focus on right now?
2. Describe a time when someone you know "ran towards" and not "ran from."

What questions help you discern God's timing in your life?



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