

## April 15 Questions

- 1) Saul and Jonathan both recognized that it was God's \_\_\_\_\_ for David to be the next king of Israel, yet their \_\_\_\_\_ were completely different. Saul tried to kill David (extreme \_\_\_\_\_) while Jonathan helped David (cheerful \_\_\_\_\_). Jonathan could have stepped aside and done nothing, but instead he actively \_\_\_\_\_ and defended the man who would one day be king in his place. This teaches us that commitment to God's will means obeying in spite of personal \_\_\_\_\_. After leaving Jonathan, David went to Ahimelech the priest in Nob. David \_\_\_\_\_ Ahimelech to gain his help, and while his motive may have been good (he no doubt wanted Ahimelech to be able to honestly claim \_\_\_\_\_ of the truth), his deception was \_\_\_\_\_ at best and \_\_\_\_\_ at worst. This shows us how easy it is to rely on our own \_\_\_\_\_ instead of on God in times of need. David knew that Saul wouldn't rest until he was dead, and he decided to take refuge with Saul's enemies, the \_\_\_\_\_. The idea of David defecting was exciting at first, but then prudence prevailed ("Is this not David the \_\_\_\_\_ of the land?"), and they seized him. David saved himself by acting insane, and Achish threw him out of Gath in disgust: 'Do I lack \_\_\_\_\_ around here? Get him out!' Once again God had delivered David from death.