

For the week of May 22, 2016
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The King's Justice

36th week in the series "A Life of Passion: The Story of David."

2 Samuel 21:1-22

This passage begins a portion of 2 Samuel that summarizes and returns to some of David's dealings from earlier in his life. David must struggle with restoring justice to an oppressed people group. His attempt demonstrates the challenge of offering true justice rather than only retribution. In the scene that follows, we find out what a six-fingered man has to do with the legacy that David leaves behind.

Discussion Questions:

1. Describe a situation where you have been wronged and have wanted to see justice be done.
2. What kind of injustice in the world most resonates with you personally?
3. Why is the balance of justice administered with dignity so difficult to find? Have you seen any contemporary examples of it?
4. Why is it encouraging to hear of David's servants defeating giants? What does it say about the future of God's work in the world? How does that relate to your life?
5. Describe how you address the tension of waiting for Jesus to return with justice while bringing it in your spheres of influence in the meantime.