

The Life of David

I Samuel Chapter 28 Student Questions

1. What nations prepared for battle, and how was this a problem for David – 28:1? Explain Achish's promise to David – v2.
2. Where did the armies gather – 28:4 (see map)?
3. Describe the problem Saul had in 28:3-6. Why did this occur? What does this teach us?
4. To whom did Saul decide to appeal? Where did he go to find one – 28:7 (see map)?
5. Case Study: Suppose you are assigned to write a theme about occult powers. Select a Bible passage about mediums, divination, witchcraft, sorcery, etc. and explain what it says.
6. How did Saul approach the woman, what request did he make, and what promise did he make her – 28:8-11?
7. Describe what happened when she tried to meet Saul's request – 28:12-14. How did the woman react? What does this show about her power?
8. Special assignment: List two other passages about people coming back from the dead. Who really has the power to do this? Is it generally permitted?
9. What reason did Samuel give why God would not answer Saul – 28:15-18?
10. What prediction did Samuel make about the battle – 28:19?
11. Tell the story of how Saul reacted to this news and how the woman and Saul's servants helped him – 28:20-25.
12. Explain how consulting the medium affected Saul's life.