

Questions for 1 Samuel 21:1-15

1. A) Where is Nob? B) Why would Ahimelech be afraid seeing David approaching with no one with him? C) How was David “alone” if he had other young men with him? (Verse 1)

2. A) Why did David lie to Ahimelech? B) Was David justified in doing this? (Verses 2-3)

3. A) Why did Ahimelech give David the showbread of the tabernacle when it was not lawful for him to have it? B) Why did Ahimelech insist that the young men had to have kept themselves from women? C) Where is this incident mentioned in the New Testament and what principle is it used to show? (Verses 4-6)

4. A) Why are we introduced to Doeg the Edomite here in the narrative? B) What would cause someone to be detained before the Lord? (Verse 7)

5. A) Why was the sword of Goliath at the Tabernacle? B) Why did David lie again to Ahimelech? (Verses 8-9)

6. A) Why did the servants of Achish think that David was king of the land? B) Why was David afraid of Achish? C) Why did David change his behavior to appear “mad” or insane? (Verses 10-15)