

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

## Scripture

1 Samuel 24:1-4,8,11-17,20-22

## Session Summary

As David became a strong leader and warrior in Israel, Saul became increasingly jealous. Eventually, David went on the run because it was no longer safe for him in the kingdom of Israel. But Saul refused to let it go—he relentlessly pursued David until David and his men were hiding out in caves. There, David had a unique opportunity. Saul entered the very cave where David and his warriors were hiding, but rather than taking full advantage of the situation, David only cut off a piece of Saul's robe—and even for that, David felt remorse. So, he called out to Saul. At that point, Saul even recognized that his pursuit was evil, and David was an example of grace. Saul wept, and for a while, he let David go free.

## Conversation Questions

- To whom does our family struggle to show grace? Why? How can we show grace, even when it's difficult?
- How has Jesus affected the way our family handles conflict? How has He increased our love for and grace toward one another?
- David backed off from hurting Saul further because he knew Saul was still God's anointed. What steps can our family take to pursue the truth of Scripture even over our desires?
- Does our family ever confuse God's will with things that "feel right"? Why do you think this is so easy to do?

## Family Challenge

Allow each family member time to write out the names of two people who have hurt them. Pray over those names and the family members who wrote out those names. This week, each family member should make an effort to extend forgiveness to those people if possible. As a family, check in on each other throughout the week to see how each family member is doing with this week's forgiveness challenge.