

*Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions*

**Study Aid for the Sermon from May 5, 2016  
Sin's Ripple Effect  
I Samuel 22:1-23**

**Observing the text**

Describe the 400 men who made David their captain.

What business did David have with the Moabite king?

Why did David leave the stronghold?

Who does Saul seem to be overly concerned with in verse 8?

Why did Saul call on Doeg to strike down the priest in verse 18?

What character traits does David display in verse 22?

**Applying the sermon**

What lesson can be learned from the prophet Gad telling David to leave the stronghold?

What earthly refuge or security do you hold onto that might be interfering with making God your refuge?

Should we expect those who oppose our Lord (like Saul did) to deal rationally with us? Why or why not?

What lesson can we apply from 22:22 in light of David's "harmless" lie in 21:2?

What "harmless" sins might you be tolerating in your life that could lead to horrific destruction?