

Intro: The life of David: runt anointed royal, shepherd boy, giant slayer, harp player, BFF...

Read: 1 Samuel 22:1-2

v.1a—A cave isn't cozy! A cold, dark, disorienting setting!

- Hope even in the darkness (Jn.1:5)... **v.1b-2**—The cave's company: distress, debt, discontented, and even family dysfunction (cf.17:28)...
 - David leads these low lives and to become some of his most mighty men (2Sam.23).
- Blooming where you're planted...
- Psalms in the cave: Ps.142, 57.

Read: 1 Samuel 24:1-22

v.1-3—Another cave story: the cave commode!

- Pooping puts Saul in a vulnerable position!
- David's army is in the cave!

v.4-7—Opportunity to kill Saul...but David's conscious at even cutting a robe...

- Obvious integrity of David (v.5, 11, 17).
- Book of 1&2 Kings and royal assassinations...

Lessons from the Heart

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•	David's anointing doesn't mean
	everything's easy!
•	God's work while in life's caves

- The misfits turn into mighty warriors (22:2, 2Sam.23)...
- Integrity rather than assassination impacts future dynasty (cf. 1&2 Kings)...