# SERMON QUESTIONS

PASSAGE: 1 Samuel 30
SERMON DATE: September 27, 2026

## CONNECT

Start your time by catching up with everyone.

Think about a time when you felt overwhelmed but found the strength to keep going. What helped you take the next step?

## GROW

Have someone read this week's passage out loud.

What stood out to you in the message?

What does this passage tell us about God?

How does this passage point us to Jesus?

What does this passage have to say about us?

## GO

1. After discovering that Ziklag had been destroyed and their families taken captive, David and his men wept until they had no strength left. What does their response teach us about expressing grief honestly rather than hiding it?
2. While David was distressed and blamed by his own men, he "strengthened himself in the LORD his God." What do you think this looked like? What practices help you seek strength in God during painful or uncertain circumstances?
3. David sought the Lord's guidance before pursuing the Amalekites. What tends to shape your first response to a crisis—fear, emotion, advice from others, or prayer? How can we develop the habit of seeking God before acting?
4. David shared the recovered possessions equally with those who fought and those who stayed behind with the supplies. What does this decision teach us about grace, generosity, and valuing every person's contribution?

## PRAY

1. Pray for those who are grieving, exhausted, or facing overwhelming circumstances.
2. Pray for the wisdom and patience to seek God's direction before making important decisions.
3. Ask God to strengthen our faith when we feel discouraged, alone, or blamed by others.
4. Ask God to make us gracious and generous, helping us value each person rather than measuring people by their visible accomplishments.

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