

★ SCRIPTURE TRUTH APPLICATION RESPONSE ★

BEGIN BY PRAYING AND ASKING GOD FOR HIS HELP TO GROW QUESTIONS ON THE PASSAGE

14:1-15

HOW DOES THE TERRAIN OF THE AREA AFFECT THE SITUATION FOR ISRAEL?
WHY DO YOU THINK THAT JONATHAN WENT ALONE TO FIGHT THE GARRISON?
HOW DOES JONATHAN'S APPROACH TO THE BATTLE DEPEND ON GOD'S WILL?
WHY DOES JONATHAN ACT BOLDLY AND DECISIVELY AND ATTACK?
HOW IS JONATHAN'S TRUST IN GOD, AND ENSUING VICTORY, ADDED TO IN VERSE 15?

14:16-23

WHAT IS SAUL'S RESPONSE TO THE NEWS THAT THE PHILISTINES WERE RETREATING?
WHY IS SAUL'S INITIAL RESPONSE TO ADDRESS JONATHAN'S ABSENCE AT THE ARK?
HOW DOES THE VICTORY OVER THE PHILISTINES RALLY OTHER ISRAELITES?

14:24-35

WHAT FOOLISH ORDER DOES SAUL GIVE TO HIS SOLDIERS? WHY IS IT FOOLISH? (V. 30)
WHY DID THE CURSE OF THE KING CARRY EXTRA WEIGHT WITH HIS SOLDIERS?
WAS JONATHAN'S DISOBEDIENCE TO THE COMMAND OF SAUL DELIBERATE OR NOT?
IS JONATHAN BEING DISRESPECTFUL TO HIS FATHER, THE KING OF ISRAEL, AND IF HE IS, WHAT SHOULD THE CONSEQUENCE BE?
HOW DID THE ACTIONS OF THE SOLDIERS LEAD TO SAUL BUILDING AN ALTAR?

14:36-52

HOW DOES SAUL'S INITIAL RESPONSE LEAVE GOD OUT OF THE PICTURE (V. 36)?
HOW DOES GOD ANSWER SAUL? WHAT DOES THIS HAVE TO DO WITH 13:9?
IF IMPATIENCE LED TO A HARSH RESPONSE FROM GOD BEFORE, WHAT HAS SAUL LEARNED FROM HIS PRIOR SIN?
WHY DO THE PEOPLE RANSOM JONATHAN? HOW DOES THIS DEEPEN THE CONNECTION BETWEEN JONATHAN AND THE PEOPLE?
HOW DOES THE END OF THE CHAPTER SHOW THE FEAR OF SAUL WITHOUT GOD?

THINK ABOUT THESE THINGS:

HOW DO YOU HANDLE CHALLENGES TO YOUR POSITION AT HOME OR AT WORK?
WHAT DECISIONS ARE IMPORTANT ENOUGH FOR YOU TO DEPEND ON THE LORD?
WHAT DECISIONS DO YOU NOT CONSULT GOD ABOUT?
WHAT MIGHT GOD BE CALLING YOU TO DO, IN BOLDNESS LIKE JONATHAN?
WHAT TIPS YOU OFF THAT SOMEONE IS NOT FOLLOWING GOD, EVEN IF THEY SAY THAT THEY ARE A CHRISTIAN OR GO TO CHURCH?
HOW DOES JESUS' REDEMPTION CONNECT YOU TO HIM?
WHAT IS THE CONDITION OF YOUR HEART: GOD-DEPENDENT AND BOLD OR FOOLISH?



★ SCRIPTURE TRUTH APPLICATION RESPONSE SHARE ★

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SCRIPTURE

READ THE PASSAGE OF SCRIPTURE. WRITE OUT AND UNDERLINE THE VERSES OR PHRASES THAT STUCK OUT TO YOU FROM YOUR READING.

TRUTH

WHAT IS THE PRINCIPAL THEME OF THE VERSES? MANY TIMES THIS MIGHT BE A PHRASE OR WORD THAT IS REPEATED OR IT IS A THOUGHT THAT STANDS OUT AS YOU READ IT. IS THE SPIRIT HIGHLIGHTING A THEME IN THE VERSES? WHAT DOES IT SAY ABOUT WHO GOD IS?
USE THE QUESTIONS ON THE BACK TO DIVE DEEPER, THEN WRITE A SUMMARY HERE:

WHAT PRINCIPLES IS THE SPIRIT REVEALING TO ME:

APPLICATION

HOW DOES THIS TRUTH APPLY TO MY LIFE AND MY CIRCUMSTANCES? WHAT NEEDS TO CHANGE OR CONTINUE IN MY LIFE SO I LIVE BY GOD'S PRINCIPLES? BE SPECIFIC.

RESPONSE

TALK TO GOD ABOUT WHAT HE IS TEACHING YOU. THIS COULD INVOLVE CONFESSION, PRAISE, COMMITMENT, REQUEST, ETC. THIS KEEPS YOUR TIME IN THE WORD A TWO-WAY CONVERSATION. IT CAN BE EASY TO STOP AT LEARNING AND NOT MOVE TO RESPONSE.

SHARE

SHARE WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED WITH ANOTHER PERSON TODAY. THIS IS A GOOD WAY TO HAVE ACCOUNTABILITY IN YOUR DECISIONS AND TO ENCOURAGE OTHERS WITH WHAT YOU ARE LEARNING.

