

**The Cave**  
**Throw Me a Line**  
1 Samuel 21:10-22:5

**Getting Started...**

What is your favorite Thanksgiving tradition? What is one of your favorite Thanksgiving memories?

**Going Deeper...**

**Read 1 Samuel 21:10**

Why is David fleeing from Saul? *(Hint: Read 1 Samuel 18-21, or listen to the sermon)*

When you were growing up did you ever consider running away from home? Have you ever run away from someone or something or at least wanted to?

Samuel anointed David to be king (1 Samuel 16) and now David is running for his life. Why would God allow this to happen? What do you think David learned during this time of running?

We all have times in life where we had expectations that were not fulfilled. God surprised us (either positively or negatively). Share an expectation that you had that was not fulfilled. What did you learn through it?

Why do you think God allowed this to happen? Are you angry with God or are you thankful for the change of direction?

**Read 1 Samuel 21:11-15**

David was scared and therefore acted like a madman. What would you have done if you were David? What is the craziest or funniest thing you have ever done when you were scared?

List some of your own fears. Are there similarities within them? What is at the core of your fear?

What does God want you to do with your fear? What are some Bible verses that you would go to when you are afraid?

**Read 1 Samuel 22:1-2**

How do you think David felt when he was in the cave and before his family arrived? (See also Psalm 57 and Psalm 142)