

1. **Pray:** ask God to open your mind, soul and spirit to His teaching through His Word
2. **Think:** the questions are designed to expand your knowledge of God and His Word
3. **Begin:** using only your Bible, answer the questions without other outside sources

### Lesson Twenty Five: 2 Samuel 21–22

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1. a) What was the cause of the famine that had hit Israel according to 21:1?  
  
b) Do you think this kind of punishment from God still exists? Give reasons why or why not.
2. According to 21:4 the Gibeonites state that they have no right to demand money as restitution nor capital punishment. Why do you think they did not have this right?
3. David executed a death sentence to Saul's family. Look up the following verses to see if David was justified doing this.  
Genesis 9:5–6  
Exodus 21:12–17  
Numbers 35:16  
What does this teach you about God's value of human life?
4. Who was Rizpah and what do you think her actions in 21:10 demonstrate about her character and her hope in God?
5. a) Chapter 21:15–22 speak of some of David's men experiencing great victories against descendants of Rapha. Look up the following verses that speak of this cluster of tribesmen.  
Numbers 13:31–33  
Deuteronomy 2:11, 20  
What do these verses say about their size?

- b) 21:15 speaks of David's exhaustion. What does God teach us through this observance of David and his men?
6. In Chapter 22, David sings a song of praise to God for his deliverance from his enemies.
- a) In verses 2–4 list all the names of or actions God displayed for David.
- b) From verses 5–6 what was David's state as he cried out to God?
- c) From verses 8–20 God's intervention to help David is described. What impresses you about these verses?
- d) From verses 38–39 and 43 what was David's part in facing enemies?
- e) Share your favorite part of this song and tell why.

**Going Deeper** (*Choose one of the following and share with your group*):

7. When have you been exhausted like David in 21:15? Who supported you and how? or who have you known who was exhausted and how did you help them?
8. When have you had to enact a hard choice or decision to please the Lord like David did with the Gibeonites?