



# World Victory Church

**"Pursue and Recover All!"**

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## I. *I Samuel 30:1-8*

### A. *"But David encouraged himself in the Lord."*

1. Let us remember who David was a foreshadow of: the N.T. Believer
  - David had been anointed to be king
  - He had defeated the lion, the bear, and the giant (Great accomplishments for the Lord)
  - He went from being a shepherd boy to playing a harp for King Saul to becoming the king's armor-bearer to one of Saul's greatest War Generals
  - God was prospering David's every move, but....
2. The enemy was plotting against him with everything he had
  - King Saul's jealousy overwhelmed good judgment
  - David, who was anointed to be king, was running and hiding
  - Ziklag represents the valley of decision...what will you do? Will you allow the enemy to take from you? Will you allow him to tell you that you cannot win?

### B. Encouraged

1. To fasten; to seize, to stand strong, to establish, to fortify, to withstand (Stand Your Ground)
2. *Stand Ye and See the Salvation of God (II Chronicles 20:17)*

## II. The Toleration Effect

### A. What you don't hate, you will learn to tolerate...

1. ***I Timothy 6:12*** *"Fight the good fight of faith...."*
2. *Listen carefully: "You have been anointed to be kings and priests. It's not something that you will be; it is something that you already are! (Right Now is the Right Time...) Kings do not bow down to ANY foreign command (Daniel and the 3 wise men); Stand your ground and stop tolerating anything that comes against the anointing. You may be at Ziklag, but God has given you a promise.... Pursue and Recover All!*

### B. Hating to Lose

1. This is more important than the desire to win
  - When you hate to lose, you will find a way to win; but when you only have a desire to win, the passion will not be as strong and the acceptance of losing will become a part of your life
2. What should I hate? Anything that stands against your covenant (ex: David)
  - Sickness, Depression, Poverty, Debt, etc.

- Sickness & Medicine (This is a big one because of the society we live in) The United States and Zealand are the only 2 countries that allow direct to consumer advertising of prescription drugs. Commercials end with “Ask your doctor...” / Being on medicine has become “normal” until someone HATES (despises) living this way (This is different from just wanting to stop taking medicine, because when you hate it, you will find a way to be free from it; key words: Encouraged and Pursue!
- Debt and Doing without (This is equally a challenging obstacle for most). Debt has become “normal” until someone stands up and declares a new “norm”! “I’m not having it this way!” Desiring to be free is not the first step; Hating the bondage you are in is always the first step; when you see debt as an invader of your covenant rights, you begin to challenge its very existence in your life.... *“How dare you come against me; you have been in my life too long proclaiming that I belong to you; just as David spoke to Goliath after 40 days of ridicule, I speak to you....When you come against me, you are coming against God; Today, every seed of debt that has held me bondage, will the Lord give into my hands.”*
- **Hebrews 11:32-34** – Pursue and Recover All!