

## Asking for a Friend: Good Guys Finish Last?

Why should I take the high road when the low road is quick and easy? (1 Samuel 26:5-12)

How do I journey along the high road?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ plans, knowing my life is in His hands. (1 Samuel 26:11a)

Submission means putting myself under the protection or authority of another.

Who am I supposed to submit to in my life?

- God (James 4:7)
- Spouses (Ephesians 5:22-33)
- Each Other (Ephesians 5:21)
- Spiritual Leaders (Hebrews 13:17)
- Parents (Ephesians 6:1-4)
- Bosses (Ephesians 6:5-8; 1 Peter 2:18)
- Government (1 Peter 2:13-14)

God is able to handle the most ridiculous situations. (1 Samuel 26:10)

Short-term gains often result in long-term losses. (1 Samuel 26:9)

What will this choice cost me in the long run?

Beware of peer pressure! (1 Samuel 26:8)

Who is my Abishai?

2. \_\_\_\_\_ to see God work things out. (1 Samuel 26:13-25)

God's working a plan that involves more than just me and mine. (1 Samuel 26:15)

God is committed to allowing others the opportunity to make the right choice even if it takes longer than expected. (1 Samuel 26:21; 2 Peter 3:9)

Choosing what is right ultimately produces right results. (1 Samuel 26:23, 25a)

“The hard thing and the right thing are often the same thing.”

What keeps me from submitting in my heart?

Am I making choices that demonstrate I truly believe my life is in God’s hands?

Am I willing to wait just a little longer for God to work things out?