

1 Samuel 13:23-14:52

Pray

Sermon headings:

Courageous faith

The God who saves

Saul's folly

Read 1 Samuel 13:23-14:14

1. How would you describe the contrast between Jonathan and Saul in these verses?
2. In what ways does Jonathan display courageous faith?
 - What is Jonathan confident of?
 - Why is this not arrogance or presumption?
3. In what situations might God be calling you to act in faith, like Jonathan?

Read 1 Samuel 14:15-23

4. In what way do we see God partnering with Jonathan in these verses?

5. Why is it clearly God who has saved the Israelites rather than a victory won by their own military strength?
6. In which situations can we feel that our own resources are insufficient?
7. What difference would it make to look to God rather than our circumstances in these situations?

Read 1 Samuel 14:24-52

8. How would you describe the contrast between Jonathan and Saul in these verses?
9. What are the similarities and differences between Jonathan and Jesus?

Take time to share prayer requests and to pray about the things you've discussed.