I will raise up for myself a faithful priest, who will do according to what is in my heart and mind. I will firmly establish his priestly house, and they will minister before my anointed one always. 1 Samuel 2:35



Gentlemen,

Jonathan made it his mission to help David succeed by basically relinquishing his right to Saul's throne. He gave David his robe, tunic, belt and bow.

Potential Action Steps for this week and beyond...

- 1. Is there someone in your life you can and should be helping to succeed? (perhaps at your own expense?)
- 2. Do you have some possessions, knowledge, experience that could be given to that person to help them succeed?
- 3. Is there someone you should be helping but jealousy is getting in the way? If so, how could you become more secure with yourself rather than insecure?
- 4. Are you starting to see the benefit of having another Christian man in your life to assist you in tackling some recurring issues that are surfacing in your journaling as this "study" progresses? If so, what is your plan to fill that vacancy?
- 5. Do you tend to want to control situations? If so, do you have trust issues?

  (Trust issues with God? With yourself? With others?)
- 6. Like Saul—are you frequently comparing yourself to others? If so, what is the payoff for doing that?
- 7. Saul sent David to the front lines often to place him in grave danger. Do you think David learned this from Saul and thus tried it with Bathsheba's husband Uriah? What bad habits have you adopted from those before you and why have they not ceased?
- 8. I want to encourage you to seek the help of other men at this point of the study and to also continue to journal your thoughts, ideas and solutions as you grow on this sacred journey!

Have a blessed week, Gary