



Small Group Discussion Questions

Following the Weekend of October 24-25, 2026

No need to answer every question. Feel free to jump around.

What Fear Is Costing You

(I Samuel 14:24-45)

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Group Interaction & Application

Read aloud together I Samuel 14:24-45.

What words, phrases, concepts, or images from these verses stand out to you as you just read them, or create curiosity for you in some way?

What aspects of Pastor Mariana's message gave you fresh insight into this passage, or helped you the most in understanding these verses and what we experience here?

The fear of Saul's oath had significant negative consequences for his people. (vs. 24-26)

How is fear potentially impacting how you are currently living?

What are you afraid might happen if you do not live according to what this fear is telling you?

What would living in freedom look like in this example?

In what ways if any do you currently feel depleted? (vs. 27-30)

What is contributing to this depletion?

What “honey” might God have right in front of you today that you are missing that could offer energy and restoration?

If you do not currently see any “honey” from God, where might you need to look?

As an outcome of their extreme hunger, the soldiers ended up violating God’s law. (vs. 31-33)

When thinking of a time you felt depleted/exhausted, how, if at all, did that make you more vulnerable to unhealthy choices?

Saul finds himself in a cycle of making rash decisions. (vs. 34-42)

How do you tend to respond when things do not go your way?

How often do you go to God to ask for counsel before moving forward with significant decisions?

Whether this is a regular practice or not, how has it gone?

Jonathan was supposed to be killed for breaking Saul’s oath, but his fellow soldiers fought for him to receive grace. (vs. 43-45)

Where has grace shown up in your own life freeing you from depletion and harm?

Where do you need grace to pour over you today?

If there is anyone in your life today who needs you to stand up for, who is it and what could this look like?

Conclude by praying for one another in taking practical next steps in applying this weekend’s message and group discussion, after which pray for group needs and concerns.

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