

Journaling

Guided Journaling Prompts for 1 Samuel 27

1. Understanding the Story:

- Who is the main person in 1 Samuel 27, and where does he decide to go?
- Why do you think David went to live with the Philistines, even though they were his enemies before?

2. Reflection:

- How do you think David might have felt about leaving his own country to stay with the Philistines?
- Have you ever had to do something that seemed hard or strange to others to keep yourself or others safe? Write about how you felt and what you did.

3. Personal Application:

- David made a plan to keep his people safe. What are some things you can plan to do in your life to make sure you stay safe and happy?
- David was living in a place that wasn't his home. Write about a time when you were in a new or different place. How did you feel? What helped you feel better?

4. Open-Ended Questions:

- If you had to trust someone different from you to help in a difficult time, what qualities would you look for in that person?
- David acted wisely while living with the Philistines. What does being wise mean to you, and how can you show wisdom in your daily choices?

5. Prayer:

- Write a short prayer asking God for wisdom and courage like David when facing new or tough situations.
- Thank God for always being with you, even when you are scared or unsure about what to do. Ask God to help you make good choices every day.

Encourage students to think deeply about their answers and to be honest with their feelings and thoughts in their journals.