



Heroes & Villains Series, No. 30: Doeg, I Samuel 21-22

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Intro: The Declaration of Independence listed the evil acts and practices of King George... In Psalm 52 King David recounted the evil actions of a villain in his own day....

Psalm 52:1-4

Proverbs 6:17

Exodus 20:13 & Deuteronomy 5:17

Exodus 23:7

Main points-- As God transforms us more fully into Christ's likeness ...

- reject the unholy anger that leads to murder in our hearts, if not in action,
- share Jesus' view of life as not only valuable but worth proclaiming & defending.

Text— 1st Samuel 21:1-10

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1st Samuel 22:6-19

I. **Silent/Passive Evil—**

The men who wouldn't rise to kill the priests also refused to rise to defend them.

If even one man had confronted Saul & Doeg, just one, who knows what might have occurred....

What would you have done?

James 4:17

"Neutrality supports the oppressor, never the victim" Charlton Heston in pro-life movie, "Eclipse of Reason"

Proverbs 24:11-12

Faithfulness in the image of Christ doesn't mean we save the world, but that we speak up for and give aid to those threatened lives we're personally aware of.

- Unborn children:
- Persecuted Christians:
- Trafficked people:

What endangered lives am I personally aware of? _____

In Christ's name, what should I do for them? _____

Saul's servants could have done something, anything, to have stopped the murder of God's priests and their families; they did nothing. How should we be speaking up for and defending life?

II. Boastful/Energetic Evil—

1 Samuel 22:18–19

Doeg's is a murderous evil fueled by the simple desires of greed and avarice.

The death dealing spirit of Doeg inspired by money and power is alive and well today around the world and right here, no more readily seen than in the killing of unborn children:

Death for Money— Planned Parenthood:

Death for political power— National Democratic Party:

To slay the innocent for money and power is the spirit of Doeg.

III. Evil's End—

1 John 5:19

John 8:44

Psalm 52:5–7

Death isn't the end, for any of us; it's the beginning of our eternal state blessed w/ God in Christ's presence, or isolated from God in a hell of our own choosing.

When facing death, we remember it has been overcome in Jesus' resurrection; death is a temporary inconvenience. While called to defend the defenseless, we know only Jesus' return and eternal reign will abolish death forever.
(1st Corinthians 15:54–55; Revelation 20:11–14)

Jesus came to earth to give life and give it abundantly (John 10:10) and Christians today have the mandate to proclaim life in the forgiveness of sin, through Christ.

Acts 26: 8

John 11:25

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain. 1Corinthians 15:58