

“David: Being a Person with a Clear Conscience”

Being a Stand-Up Person in a Bow-Down World • pt. 7

1 Sam. 24:1-7

INTRODUCTION

“Always let your conscience be your guide.”

...good, sound, biblical advice?

1. An example of a clear conscience

1 Sam. 24:1-7

- a place of refuge
- a place of relief
- a place for a clear conscience

2. An explanation of a clear conscience

a. what it is

Rom. 2:14-15

- “conscience” =
- comprised of two elements:
 - 1) an inner _____ of what is right and wrong
Rom. 1:32

2) a mental _____ to apply rules/laws to concrete situations

Lk. 6:33

b. what we do with it

- it’s to serve as a ‘watchdog’ over thoughts, actions, motives

2 Cor. 1:12; 5:11

- but it’s often ignored—spiraling downward progression:

1) rejected/abandoned conscience

1 Tim. 1:19

2) defiled conscience

Tit. 1:5

3) seared conscience

1 Tim. 4:2

- the clearing, restoring work of Christ

Heb. 9:9, 14

3. An exhortation toward a clear conscience

1 Tim. 1:5

Acts 24:16

“There is no pillow as soft as a clear conscience.”

– John Wooden

Emmanuel Bible Notes

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