Lesson 09 - Arrows of Friendship

1. "Jonathan told me that he knew that I was going to be the next king of Israel. But he also wanted me to promise that if anything happened to him, I would take care of his family as long as they lived."

2. "Jonathan & I had agreed that when Saul noticed I was missing from his family celebration, Jonathan would say that he had given me permission. If Saul was OK with that, Jonathan would know I was safe. If Saul got angry, Jonathan would know that I was right & Saul was trying to kill me."

3. "Jonathan did things just the way we had planned. When he realized how angry his father was, he came out to where I was hiding. After he shot an arrow, he said the secret code we had worked out. He sent the boy to pick up the arrow. Then he sent the boy home so I could come out of hiding & we could talk."

4. "I had never lived in a palace," David continued. "There were many things I had to learn. Jonathan helped me with new things that were now a part of my life. But being a friend isn't one-sided, you know."

5. "We agreed that Jonathan, pretending to be target practicing, would come out to the field where I was hiding. He would shoot an arrow at a rock. I would know whether I was safe or not by what he said to the small boy he brought with him to carry his arrows."

6. "What happened was that Saul was so angry, he threw a spear at his own son, Jonathan. But back to our plan," David shifted in his seat, leaning closer to Solomon.

7. "What could you give the son of the king?" laughed Solomon. "You were just a shepherd." "Well, you're right," agreed David. "But I could still give him the best gift of all-true friendship. We did so many things together."

8. "When you find a friend who loves & serves God, you work hard to make your relationship last. You treat each other with respect, & you're honest with each other. When the bad times come, you work through them. You don't desert 10. your friend."

9. "Jonathan said to David, 'Go in peace, for we have sworn friendship with each other in the name of the Lord, saying, 'The Lord is witness between you & me, & between your descendants & my descendants forever'.'" 1 Samuel 20:42, NIV

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11. "Jonathan told me that he knew that I was going to be the next king of Israel. But he also wanted me to promise that if anything happened to him, I would take care of his family as long as they lived." 1 Samuel 20:41, 42. Write a letter to someone thanking them for being a supportive Christian friend to you.

12. Write 1 Samuel 20:42 on a piece of paper that you design to look like a legal document. Create a border around the words.

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