"Saul’s Final Act of Disobedience"

Ephesians 6:10-18

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Introduction:
A. David was certainly not perfect, but he always had a humble and _______ heart, and turned back to the Lord after he had gone _______.
B. Saul, on the other hand, was a different _______.
C. In today’s lesson, we notice that 1 Samuel turns our attention away from what is going on with ________, and turns the attention to what was going on with ________.

I. The Story
A. Chapter 28 marks the _______ low point in Saul’s life.
B. When the approved __________ will not meet Saul’s needs, he goes elsewhere.
C. In desperation, Saul turns to the ________ for his spiritual insight.
D. The Old Testament law clearly forbade ______________ . (consulting the dead) [Lev. 19:31; 20:6, 27; Deut. 18:9-13]
E. Saul __________ himself and slipped away in the dark of night to meet the medium.
F. Saul promised her that no ________ would come to her for breaking the law.
G. The sudden and unexpected appearance of _________ shocked and terrified the witch.
H. Samuel painstakingly reviews the ________ and it has not changed, nor has the _________ softened.
I. Saul __________, stunned and shattered by the pronouncement.
J. The depths of depravity to which Saul had descended can be measured by the fact that he would share a ______ with this wicked woman.
K. Saul received enough energy from that meal to rise and go to his final humiliation and ________.

II. The Application
A. Remove any _________ that hinder your relationship with God.
B. Refuse to allow _______ ________ to influence your life. (Eph. 6:10-13; Gal. 5:20; Rev. 21:8; 22:15; Jude 3)
C. Trust in the ________ only, and approach Him only in ways He has ___________. (2 Tim. 3:16-17; Jude 17-25)