A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study Date: May 31, 2023 2 Samuel 24:18-25; 1 Chronicles 21:18-30

- 1. What happened in our last Bible Study?
 - a. A lot of wrap-up stuff....David's last words, etc.
 - b. David took a census of his fighting men...that didn't go well.
 - c. David repented.
 - d. God gave David a choice of consequences.
 - e. God stopped short of the destruction that was going to come.
- 2. What is happening now, in today's text, according to 24:18-19 and 1 Chronicles 21:18-19?
 - a. Gad went to David and told him to go build and altar at the threshing floor of Araunah.
 - b. Well, according to 1 Chronicles, the angel of the Lord sent Gad to tell David to build the altar.
 - c. David went up as the Lord commanded.
- 3. Why was this threshing floor important, according to last week's text?
- 4. Do you think this all happened after the Lord relented or was this was caused God to relent? Read carefully in 1 Chronicles 21:27-28.

- 5. According to these two texts, what happened next?
 - a. Araunah, who had been threshing wheat left the threshing floor and bowed down before David.
 - b. David asked for the site to build an altar and offered to buy it.
 - c. Araunah did not want to sell it and offered to give it to David along with the oxen and the wood for the burnt offering.
 - d. David refused to take it for free. He said "No, I insist on paying the full price. I will not take for the Lord what is yours, or sacrifice a burnt offering that costs me nothing."
- 6. Have you ever turned down something that was offered to you for free?_____
- 7. Why did David refused to take this for free?
- 8. How do you think that we should apply this concept to our lives?
- 9. Do we offer things to God that don't really cost us anything or are not really a sacrifice?
- 10. What would it look like for us to make this commitment in our lives?_____