Life of David 38 – What to Do About Eliab? I Samuel 17:12-30 sermonaudio.com/vbcny 2/28/2021

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- I. The Backdrop to the Interaction Between Eliab and David (17:12-27)
 - A. The Matter of Position in the Family
 - B. The Matter of Expectations in the Family
 - C. The Matter of God's Providence in the Family

- II. The Judgement Made by Eliab Against David (17:28)
- III. The Gracious Response of David to Eliab's Accusation (17:29-30)
- **IV.** Applications
 - A. We must learn to carefully evaluate the criticisms of others.
 - B. There is a time to refute criticisms, and a time to leave them unrefuted.
 - C. Whatever response is given, let it be one of meekness less strident than could have rightly been given and a response calculated to do good
 - D. When the motives of our heart are questioned, we must trust the only one who knows our hearts God Himself.