

1 Samuel 8-12: Saul being made king of Israel

REVIEW OF PREVIOUS CHAPTERS STUDIED

- Studied chapters 1 – 3—Samuel’s birth; he was a priest and prophet.
- Studied chapters 4–7—The ark was taken by the Philistines, recovered and Samuel was a judge, called Israel to repentance and reconciliation with God. Israel defeats the Philistines.

1 Samuel Chapters 8–12:

Remember what the significance of 1 Samuel is

1 SAMUEL 8

Verses 1-9:

- **How does this chapter begin?**
- What were the names of Saul’s children and where were they judges
- What was their character like and how did this impact the cry for a king?
- Samuel was displeased with the cry of Israel for a king. How did God react to Samuel’s distress?
- What does the request for a king mean in terms of Israel’s relationship with God.
- What does Ezekiel 3:18 tell us about the dangers of having a king reign over Israel?

Cross-references about Israel and kings. What do we learn from these references?

Genesis 17:1-6; 15-16

Genesis 35:10-11

Deuteronomy 17:14-20

Judges chapters 8-9

Reflection: How often do we consult with God before making significant choices in our lives?

Verses 10-18: What did Samuel tell the people about a king? Pay attention to verse 18

Verses 19-22 :

- How did the people respond to the warning?
- Israel rejected God being their King. How does this apply to us today? Being like everyone else.

1 SAMUEL 9

- Who become a main character from this chapter?

Verses 1-2:

- What do we learn about Saul from these verses?

Verses 3-14

- How did Saul get to Samuel?

Verses 15-27

- What do we learn from these verses?

1 SAMUEL 10

Verses 1-8

- What are the main events of these verses?
- What does being anointed mean?
- What was Samuel's message to Saul, and what was Saul told to do?
- Look up the root and meaning of the word "Prophecy"

Verses 9-13

- What happened when Saul turned to leave Samuel?
- How did the people know that Saul had changed?

What do you learn from the cross-references about the Spirit of the Lord.

Numbers 11:17, 25-26, 29

Numbers 24:2

Numbers 27:18

Judges 3-15 The Lord's Spirit came on some judges of Israel, which ones?.

Verses 14-16

- Who and what are these verses about?

Verses 17-27

- What do we learn from these verses? How does this chapter end? What event?
- How was Saul chosen?

- What impressed the people about Saul. Compare this impression with what happened in 1 Samuel 16:1-13. How do they relate?

How does this chapter end?

