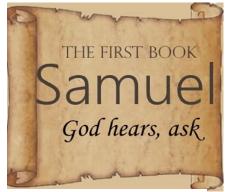
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In the 350 years of the judges before this book; years characterize by the phrase: and the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the Lord. Obviously, the Lord said enough and sent Samuel, who was the last judge; a good judge, who moved in the power of the Spirit.

This first book of Samuel, focuses on 3 principle people: Samuel, from his birth to his death, Saul, the first king – the people's choice, and David, the blessed king, the Lord's choice.

David's friendship with Jonathan, and with Saul.



- ¹ And it happened, when he finished speaking to Saul, that the soul of Jonathan was knit to the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as himself.
- ² And Saul took him that day, and did not let him return any more to his father's house.
- ³ Then Jonathan and David made a covenant, because he loved him as himself.
- ⁴ And Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that was on him, and gave it to David, with his armor, even his sword, his bow, and his belt.
- ⁵ And David went out wherever Saul sent him, and prospered: and Saul set him over the men of war. And he was accepted in the sight of all the people, and also in the sight of the servants of Saul.
- ⁶ And it happened as they were coming, when David returned from killing the Philistine, that the women came out from all cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet King Saul, with tabrets, with joy, and with instruments of music.
- ⁷ And all the women sang as they played, and said, Saul has slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands / so they weren't very smart to openly offend the leader of their land.
- ⁸ Then Saul became very angry, and the saying displeased him; and he said, They have ascribed to David ten thousands, and to me they have only ascribed thousands. Now what more can he have but the kingdom?
- ⁹ And Saul suspiciously watched David from that day forward.
- ¹⁰ Now it happened on the next day, that an evil spirit from God came mightily on Saul, and he ranted in the midst of the house: and David played with his hand, as at other times: and a javelin was in Saul's hand.
- ¹¹ And Saul threw the javelin; for he thought, I will pin David to the wall with it. But David dodged his presence twice.

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- ¹² And Saul was afraid of David, because the LORD was with him, but had departed from Saul.
- ¹³ Therefore Saul removed him from his presence, and appointed him his commander over a thousand; and he went out and came in before the people.
- ¹⁴ And David was prospering in all his ways; for the LORD was with him.
- ¹⁵ So when Saul saw that he was prospering greatly, he became fearful of him.
- ¹⁶ But all Israel and Judah loved David, because he went out and came in before them.
- ¹⁷ And Saul said to David, Here is my older daughter Merab, I will give her to you to wife: only be valiant for me, and fight the Lord's battles. For Saul thought, Let not my hand be against him, but let the hand of the Philistines be against him.
- 18 But David said to Saul, Who am I? and what is my life, or my father's family in Israel, that I should be son-in-law to the king?
- ¹⁹ So it happened at the time when Merab, Saul's daughter should have been given to David, that she was given to Adriel the Meholathite to wife.
- ²⁰ And Michal, Saul's daughter loved David: and they told Saul, and the thing pleased him.
- ²¹ And Saul thought, I will give her to him, that she may become a snare to him, and that the hand of the Philistines may be against him. Therefore Saul said to David, For a second time you may be my son-in-law today.
- ²² Then Saul commanded his servants, Speak to David secretly, and say, Behold, the king delights in you, and all his servants love you: so now become the king's son-in-law.
- ²³ And the servants of Saul spoke these words to David. And David said, Does it seem to you a trivial thing to be a son-in-law of the king, since I am a poor man, and lightly esteemed?
- ²⁴ And the servants of Saul reported to him, in the manner David spoke.
- ²⁵ And Saul said, Thus you will say to David, The king desires no dowry, but a hundred foreskins of the Philistines, to take vengeance on the enemies of the king. Now Saul really intended to make David fall by the hand of the Philistines.
- ²⁶ When his servants told David these words, it pleased David well to become the son-in-law of the king:

And before the days had expired...

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²⁷ so David arose and went, he and his men, and killed two hundred men of the Philistines. Then David brought their foreskins, and they gave them in full to the king, that he might become the son-in-law of the king. So Saul gave him Michal his daughter for a wife.

²⁸ And Saul saw and knew that the LORD was with David, and that Michal, daughter of Saul loved him.

²⁹ And Saul was more fearful of David; thus Saul became the continual enemy of David.

³⁰ Then the leaders of the Philistines went out to fight: and it happened, after they went out, that David behaved himself more wisely than all the servants of Saul; so his name was highly esteemed.

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