

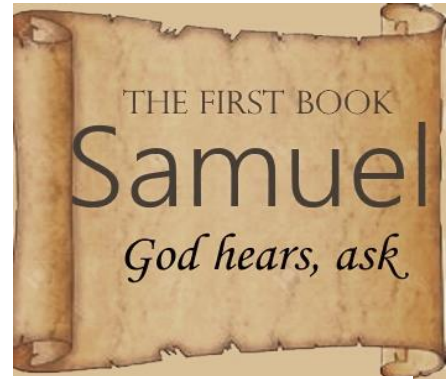
1 SAMUEL 22 vs 1

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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 and his band of men, in the cave of Adullam,

¹ So David departed from there, and escaped to the cave Adullam: and when his brothers and all his father's house heard of it, they went down there to him.

² And everyone who was in distress, and everyone who was in debt, and everyone who was discontented, gathered to him; and he became a captain over them: and there were with him about four hundred men.

³ And David went from there to Mizpah of Moab: and he said to the king of Moab, Please let my father and my mother come and be with you, till I know what God will do for me.

⁴ Then he brought them to the king of Moab: and they dwelt with him all the time David was in the stronghold.

⁵ And the prophet Gad said to David, Do not stay in the stronghold; depart, and go into the land of Judah. So David departed, and went into the forest of Hereth.

⁶ Then Saul heard that David and the men who were with him were discovered, (now Saul was sitting in Gibeah under a tree in Ramah, with his spear in his hand, and all his servants were standing around him;)

⁷ And Saul said to his servants who stood around him, Hear now, O you of Benjamin; will the son of Jesse also give every one of you fields and vineyards, and make you all commanders of thousands, and commanders of hundreds?

⁸ For all of you have conspired against me, and no one showed me my son has made a covenant with the son of Jesse, and no one of you who is sorry for me, or reveals to me my son has stirred up my servant against me, to lie in ambush, as it is this day?

⁹ Then Doeg the Edomite, who was standing by the servants of Saul, answered and said, I saw the son of Jesse coming to Nob, to Ahimelech the son of Ahitub.

¹⁰ And he enquired of the LORD for him, and gave him supplies, and gave him the sword of Goliath the Philistine.

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¹¹ Then the king sent someone to summon Ahimelech the priest, the son of Ahitub, and all his father's household, the priests who were in Nob: and all of them came to the king.

¹² And Saul said, Listen now, son of Ahitub. And he answered, Here I am, my lord.

¹³ And Saul said to him, Why have you conspired against me, you and the son of Jesse, in that you gave him bread, and a sword, and inquired of God for him, that he should rise up against me, to lie ambush, as it is this day?

¹⁴ Then Ahimelech answered the king, and said, And who among all your servants is as faithful as David, who is the son-in-law of the king, and goes at your bidding, and is honored in your house?

¹⁵ Did I just begin to inquire of God for him? Far be it from me: let not the king impute anything to his servant, or to any of the household of my father: for your servant knows nothing of all this whole matter.

¹⁶ But the king said, You will surely die, Ahimelech, you and all the house of your father.

¹⁷ And the king said to the guards who stood around him, Turn around, and kill the priests of the LORD: because their hand also is with David, and because they knew when he fled, and did not reveal it to me. But the servants of the king would not put forth their hand to attack the priests of the LORD.

¹⁸ And the king said to Doeg, You turn around, and attack the priests. And Doeg the Edomite turned, and attacked the priests, and killed on that day 85 men who wore the linen ephod.

¹⁹ And he struck Nob, the city of the priests, striking it with the edge of the sword, both men and women, children and infants, also oxen, asses, and sheep, he struck with the sword.

²⁰ But one of the sons of Ahimelech the son of Ahitub, named Abiathar, escaped, and fled after David.

²¹ And Abiathar told David that Saul had killed the priests of the LORD.

²² Then David said to Abiathar, I knew on that day, when Doeg the Edomite was there, that he would surely tell Saul: I have brought about the death of every person of house of your father.

²³ Stay with me, do not fear: for he who seeks my life seeks your life: but with me you will be safe.
