



1 The Book of Samuel

A JOURNEY THROUGH THE OLD TESTAMENT

God Chooses David

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What has happened so far?



1 SAMUEL OVERVIEW BIBLE CHART

BEGINNING	SAMUEL <i>THE LAST JUDGE</i>				SAUL <i>THE FIRST KING</i>		ENDING
	1 Samuel 1	1 Samuel 2-3	1 Samuel 4-7	1 Samuel 8-12	1 Samuel 13-16	1 Samuel 17-31	
<i>SAMUEL'S GODLINESS</i>	<i>Birth</i>	<i>Growth and Call</i>	<i>Ministry</i>	<i>Change</i>	<i>Rejection by God</i>	<i>Rebellion against God</i>	<i>SAUL'S APOSTASY</i>
<i>NATIONAL HOPE</i>							<i>PERSONAL DESPAIR</i>
<i>MOTIVATION</i>					Impatient, rash, disobedient, jealous, murderous	David chosen, trained, tested, protected	<i>DEPRESSION</i>
<i>PURITY</i>							<i>SUICIDE</i>

Samuel is born to Hannah, who dedicates him to God. He goes to live with Eli, the Judge and prophet.

Saul rebels against God's commands and is rejected. God will anoint a new King over Israel.



Samuel hears God's calling to ministry as a young boy.



Eli's family disobeys God and are punished for it. Samuel becomes judge of Israel.

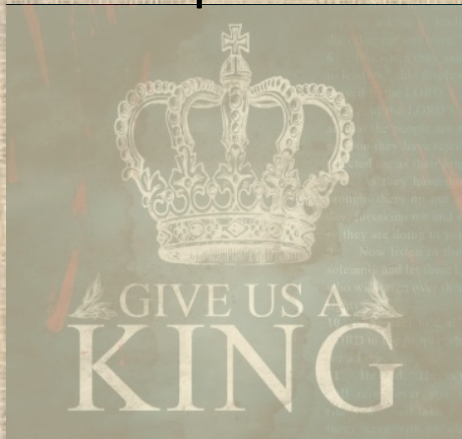


Israel asks for a King against God's better judgement for them. Saul is crowned King.



Mistakes

- Israel looked at other nations who had a king and assumed they were better off.
 - 1- They already had a King! God was their King!
 - 2- God gave them judges because of the problems of having a king.
 - 3- God knows what is best for us.
- Saul was chosen to be king partially because of outward appearance. He was tall and good looking. Not a good reason to be king.
- After Saul's disobedience, God rejects Saul and chooses another person who will take his place.



Samuel Fears Saul



1 Samuel: 16 The LORD said to Samuel, “How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king.”

² But Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears about it, he will kill me.”

David is anointed as King



[Bible Stories for Kids: David Is Chosen \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

DAVID COMFORTS SAUL

¹⁴ Now the Spirit of the LORD had departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD tormented him.

¹⁷ So Saul said to his attendants, "Find someone who plays well and bring him to me."

¹⁸ One of the servants answered, "I have seen a son of Jesse of Bethlehem who knows how to play the lyre. He is a brave man and a warrior. He speaks well and is a fine-looking man. And the LORD is with him."

¹⁹ Then Saul sent messengers to Jesse and said, "Send me your son David, who is with the sheep."



God had plans for David. Even though Samuel was scared to tell Saul of God's anointing of David, God brought David into Saul's court to comfort him.

QUESTIONS

- David was chosen not because of looks or strength. What lesson do you think God was trying to teach the Israelites about their reasons for wanting a king?
 - 1- We should never make choices best on outward appearance.
 - 2- We should always ask for God's wisdom when making tough decisions.
- God had plans for David and sent him to comfort Saul. What does this tell us about God's plans?
 - Sometimes we cannot understand why God does things. But he works all things together for His plans.
- Do you know what the book of Psalms contains and who wrote a large part of it?