Series "Fixed On 66" "1 Samuel" Book-9

Key Passage: 1 Samuel 13:14; 1 Samuel 15:22

Samuel's Theme: "Organization of the Kingdom"

The Author: Attributed to Samuel, who wrote some of material:

1 Chron. 29:29

Samuel's successors were Nathan and Obed.

Samuel dies in 1 Samuel 25:1

1 Samuel 10:25

1 & 2 Samuel – Were one book in the Hebrew Bible, it was called "The book of Samuel" or "Samuel"

Samuel - "The name of God, Heard of God and Asked of God"

Samuel is a crucial link from the forbidding days of Judges to David's monarchy - Theocracy - Judges to Monarchy - Kings

Samuel's office included

- 1. Samuel as Judge 7:17
- 2. Samuel as Priest 10:8
- 3. Samuel as Prophet 3:20

When Written: 1105-1011BC Covers - 94 years:

Where it was Written: Israel

Purpose: Samuel was the last of the judges, and Saul was the first of the kings. The book teaches that God's hand is at work in the affairs of men and nations. Men are free to make decisions, but God still guides and sees to it that His purposes are fulfilled. There are 3 main characters in the book. Samuel, Saul, and David.

Theme: "Organization of the Kingdom"

Key Words: The thought is "Transition"

Transitions – There are 3 transitions in Book:

- 1. Eli to Samuel
- 2. Samuel to Saul
- 3. Saul to David

Key Chapter: 1 Samuel 15 The transition from Saul to David.

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Outline:

- 1 Samuel 1-7 Samuel
- 1 Samuel 8-15 Saul
- 1 Samuel 16-31 David

1 Samuel 1-7 Samuel

- 1 Samuel 1 The Birth of Samuel: 1 Samuel 1:1-2
- **1 Samuel 1:6-11** Her pain led her to prayer and surrender. It was now that God was going to answer her prayer.
- 1 Samuel 1:20
- 1 Samuel 1:24-28 Samuel is Presented to the Lord:
- 1 Samuel 1:24-28
- 1 Samuel 2:12-17 Despised the offerings
- **1 Samuel 2:12-17; 22-36: Eli Rebukes, But Fails To Remove His Sons:** Sad passage about tolerance of sin in the priesthood and worship of God.

Leviticus 10 God dealt with strange fire of the sons of Aaron. God deals the same with Eli's sons. God expects more out of His own.

- 1 Samuel 3 Childhood and The Prophetic Call to Samuel:
- **1 Samuel 3:3-11** God goes on to tell Samuel that God was going to judge Eli and his house for his sins.
- 1 Samuel 4-7 Samuel's Early Ministry:
- 1 Samuel 4 God Is Not A Good Luck Charm: (Israel Disciplined)
- 1 Samuel 4:1-6
- 1 Samuel 4:10-11

How often this happens in that people think they can involve God in their plans, and all will be blessed.

1 Samuel 5-6 Capture of the Ark Angers the Lord: (Philistines Disciplined) 1 Samuel 5:6-9

- **1 Samuel 6:15** They learn from that experience, that God is holy, they offer themselves to Him.
- 1 Samuel 7 God Gives Victory Over the Philistines: 1 Samuel 7:3-6
- 1 Samuel 7:13-14 <u>Philistines were subdued and they did not come</u> anymore within the border of Israel.

1 Samuel 8-15 Saul

- 1 Samuel 8 Israel Demands a King: 1 Samuel 8:4-7 (They get what they asked for)
- **1 Samuel 9-10 Saul is Chosen As King: 1 Samuel 9:15-16** Saul was the people's choice not God's.
- 1 Samuel 10:10-11
- 1 Samuel 10:21-24 Saul Hides By the Baggage:

Why was Saul hiding? Humble, or cowardly hiding? Later Saul's true colors would show through. Feared the people.

- 1 Samuel 11-12 Saul's Early Victories: 1 Samuel 11:11
- **1 Samuel 12:19-20** God can turn it all around if we surrender and serve Him only!
- 1 Samuel 12:21-25
- 1 Samuel 13-15 Saul's Sins and Rejection: 1 Samuel 13:1 Saul was thirty years old when he began to reign, and <u>he reigned forty two years over Israel</u>.

Saul Assumes the Role of the Priest: 1 Samuel 13:8 Samuel instructed Saul to wait 10 days before the battle, people scatter, he steps in as Priest.

- 1 Samuel 13:13-14
- **1 Samuel 14 Saul's Foolish Vow Not to Eat:** His rash decisions and not seeking God almost cost losing the battle and his son's life.
- 1 Samuel 15 Saul's Final Act of Disobedience: 1 Samuel 15:13-15
- **1 Samuel 15:21-23** A man with so much potential but how well you start does not grantee how well you will finish!

1 Samuel 16-31 David

- 1 Samuel 16 David The Shepherd Boy Chosen: 1 Samuel 16:6-7
- **1 Samuel 17 David The Giant Killer: (Valley of Elah)** David sent to bring his brothers supplies, hears Goliath's challenge, David accepts the challenge. **1 Samuel 17:40** chose for himself five smooth stones from the brook, **2 Samuel 21:21** (Goliath had 4 brothers)
- 1 Samuel 17:49
- **1 Samuel 18 Jonathan's Love and Saul's Hatred:** Jonathan is Saul's son. You see him submitting to David as the future king. No friendship like this one in all of Scripture. (Saul's kingdom fading, Johnathan sees David as the Lord's choice)
- 1 Samuel 18:10-12
- **1 Samuel 19 Jonathan Delivers David, Saul Attempts murder, then Prophesies:** Saul attempts to kill David again, then later the Spirit of God comes on this man, and He speaks from God.
- **1 Samuel 20-31 David in Exile:** David is running from Saul for about 20 years of time. God had a purpose.

Years of exile would be used to develop David and his men. It would teach David to completely trust the Lord.

- **1 Samuel 21 David Fakes Insanity: 1 Samuel 21:10-15** (Enemy territory)
- 1 Samuel 22 Saul Kills The Priests of The Lord: 1 Sam 22:21
- 1 Samuel 24 David Spares Saul's Life at Engedi: 1 Samuel 24:3-6
- 1 Samuel 25 Samuel's Death: 1 Samuel 25:1 Then Samuel died;
- **1 Samuel 25:2-44 David, Abigail and Nabal:** God works in unequally yoked marriages. This woman, **Abigail** "to rejoice," is married to a man named **Nabal** "**Fool**," and she saves his neck.
- 1 Samuel 26 David Spares Saul Again: David crept into Saul's camp and Saul's spear next to his head. 1 Samuel 26:8-11
- **1 Samuel 27 David and The Philistines Use Each other:** David lives with the enemy 1 year 4 months, David and his men went up and raided

the Geshurites and the Girzites and the Amalekites; The Philistines think David is attacking his own people.

- **1 Samuel 28 Saul Goes to the Witch of En-dor: 1 Samuel 28:8-12** I believe it was Samuel. This does not justify Necromancy.
- 1 Samuel 28:13-19
- 1 Samuel 29 David Kicked Out From The Philistines:
- 1 Samuel 30 David's Victory over the Amalekites: 1 Samuel 30:5-6
- 1 Samuel 31 Saul and His Sons Slain: (God said it in 1 Sam 28:19)
- 1 Samuel 31:2-6

Application:

Samuel Teaches Us "We need to remain faithful even if everyone else doesn't!"

Saul Teaches Us "That a great beginning does not guarantee a great ending!"

David Teaches Us "That God looks at the heart!"