# King Saul's Reign

Unit 7 Study Guide and Notes

Test Date: \_\_\_\_\_



Key Verses: 1 Samuel 15: 22

"But Samuel replied: Does the Lord delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the voice of the Lord? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams."

1 Samuel 16: 7

"But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.""

# Lesson 1: The Anointing of King Saul

- Israel wanted a \_\_\_\_\_\_ so they could be like all the other \_\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ was already their King.
- Saul was from the tribe of \_\_\_\_\_\_ Israel's \_\_\_\_\_\_tribe.
  - His father had no \_\_\_\_\_\_or \_\_\_\_\_
- Saul seemed like an ideal choice for a king:
  - o Humble and \_\_\_\_\_\_to Samuel
  - Physically \_\_\_\_\_like a king.
  - o Did not \_\_\_\_\_\_those who criticized him.

# Lesson 2: Saul Saves Jabesh Gilead

- Saul saved the town of \_\_\_\_\_\_because:

  - Gathered and army to fight the \_\_\_\_\_\_
  - Attacked them during the \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- Saul did not \_\_\_\_\_\_ himself but gave the \_\_\_\_\_\_ to God.
- Samuel's Advice to Israel:
  - o \_\_\_\_\_God with all their hearts.
  - Do not turn to useless \_\_\_\_\_\_.
  - Remember the \_\_\_\_\_\_things God had done for them.
- Samuel's Warnings to Israel:
  - Persist in doing \_\_\_\_\_\_, both the people and the \_\_\_\_\_\_would be swept away.

# Lesson 3: Saul Disobeys God

- Two things Saul did that made God angry:
  - He offered the \_\_\_\_\_instead of waiting for\_\_\_\_\_.
  - He disobeyed God's command to \_\_\_\_\_\_ALL of the \_\_\_\_\_\_
- Because of this, God \_\_\_\_\_\_Saul as king and his family as Israel'
- \_\_\_\_\_said, "To \_\_\_\_\_\_ is better than \_\_\_\_\_and to heed is better

than the fat of rams."

- This was said to \_\_\_\_\_\_ because Saul was making \_\_\_\_\_\_ for not following God's commands concerning the Amalekites. He claimed he had save the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the livestock for a sacrifice.
- God needs to be \_\_\_\_\_ completely and wholeheartedly.

#### Lesson 4: Jonathan's Obedience

- Saul made an oath to \_\_\_\_\_\_ anyone who ate before nightfall.
- Men were unable to \_\_\_\_\_\_
- Saul's own son, \_\_\_\_\_ hadn't heard the oath and he ate.
- Saul's men had to stop him from \_\_\_\_\_\_ his own sun.

### Lesson 5: Anointing a New King

- David's father was \_\_\_\_\_.
- David played a \_\_\_\_\_\_ to soothe Saul
- God was preparing David to be \_\_\_\_\_\_.
  - He became familiar with Israel's\_\_\_\_\_.
  - Learning to \_\_\_\_\_\_ on God in difficult situations.
  - Learning to \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ said, "A man looks at the \_\_\_\_\_ appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."

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It was said to \_\_\_\_\_\_because Eliab looked like a king, but God was more concerned about \_\_\_\_\_\_.

# Lesson 6: David and Goliath

- David defeated the giant \_\_\_\_\_.
- His weapons: \_\_\_\_\_and \_\_\_\_\_
- David won this battle because he...
  - o \_\_\_\_\_\_ upon and \_\_\_\_\_God.
  - $\circ$   $\,$  He didn't try to be anything other than the person God had made him.

## Lesson 7: Saul's Jealousy

- Similarities between Saul and David
  - Saul was \_\_\_\_\_ (Young looking)
  - Saul's tribe= Benjamin
     David's tribe= \_\_\_\_\_
  - God's spirit \_\_\_\_\_\_Saul but WITH David
  - Saul DISOBEYED God David \_\_\_\_\_ God
- Saul made poor choices because he was \_\_\_\_\_\_
  - Tried to kill \_\_\_\_\_\_by throwing a \_\_\_\_\_at him
  - Send David into battle and tried to get others to kill him
  - Made David his enemy
  - Refused to give his daughter, \_\_\_\_\_, to David in marriage as he promised
- \_\_\_\_\_ helped David escape from Saul
- God continued to bless and \_\_\_\_\_ David.

### Lesson 8: David and Jonathan

- David and Jonathan were great \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- Their friendship was godly.
- Jonathan gained a friend who would not \_\_\_\_\_\_ his family.
- David gained a friend who watched out for him and \_\_\_\_\_\_ his life.
- They both trusted the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ each other in their faith.

# Lesson 9: David Spares Saul

- David took a corner of Saul's \_\_\_\_\_and his \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- David did \_\_\_\_\_\_ kill Saul when he had the chance.
- Saul was God's \_\_\_\_\_king.
- David was willing to \_\_\_\_\_\_ for God's timing.

# Lesson 10: David, Nabal, and Abigail

- Nabal refused to give David's men \_\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ became David's wife after her husband's death
- Proverbs 15:1- A \_\_\_\_\_\_ answer turns away \_\_\_\_\_, but a harsh word stirs
   up \_\_\_\_\_\_
- Nabal's harsh words to David stirred up trouble and made David \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
- Abigail's kind words brought \_\_\_\_\_\_

### Lesson 11: David in Philistia

- David did not trust Saul's promise to \_\_\_\_\_\_ him \_\_\_\_\_\_
- David fled to the land of the \_\_\_\_\_\_ because he knew Saul's army would not \_\_\_\_\_\_ him the Philistine land
- King \_\_\_\_\_\_ let David live in the city of \_\_\_\_\_\_

### Lesson 12: The Witch of Endor

- The witch of Saul found out about his own death in \_\_\_\_\_\_
- The witch told him:
  - He would \_\_\_\_\_\_ the battle with the Philistines
  - He and his \_\_\_\_\_ would die
  - The kingdom would be handed over to \_\_\_\_\_

### Lesson 13: David Destroys the Amalekites; Deaths of Jonathan and Saul

- Saul was wounded, so he fell on his own \_\_\_\_\_\_ so the \_\_\_\_\_\_
  would not torture him.
- The \_\_\_\_\_\_ lied to David and said he killed Saul.
  - He thought David would be \_\_\_\_\_\_ and would give him a great \_\_\_\_\_\_.

\*\*Extra: **Ahimelech** also helped David while he was on the run.