

Announcements

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

THURSDAY, 6:30PM

POTLUCK SUNDAY!

3/31 !!!!!!!

CLEANING THE CHURCH!

APRIL 27

PIZZA AFTERPARTY

MARRIAGE RETREAT

APRIL 26-27

LANDSCAPE MINISTRY

NEEDING 4-6 PEOPLE TO HELP MAINTAIN OUR LANDSCAPING

Fully Convinced

1 Samuel 10:1-10

A King Demanded (1 Samuel 8)

Prophecies as Proof (1 Samuel 10)

A Failed Faith (1 Samuel 13)

1 Samuel 8:5

And said unto him, Behold, thou art old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: now make us a king to judge us like all the nations.

A King Demanded (1 Samuel 8)

Prophecies as Proof (1 Samuel 10)

A Failed Faith (1 Samuel 13)

1 Samuel 8:19-20

19 Nevertheless the people refused to obey the voice of Samuel; and they said, Nay; but we will have a king over us;
20 That we also may be like all the nations; and that our king may judge us, and go out before us, and fight our battles.

A King Demanded (1 Samuel 8)

Prophecies as Proof (1 Samuel 10)

A Failed Faith (1 Samuel 13)

1 Samuel 10:1

The Question at Hand:

Then Samuel took a vial of oil, and poured it upon his head, and kissed him, and said, *Is it not because the Lord hath anointed thee to be captain over his inheritance?*

A King Demanded (1 Samuel 8)

Prophecies as Proof (1 Samuel 10)

A Failed Faith (1 Samuel 13)

1 Samuel 10:2-4

2 When thou art departed from me to day, then thou shalt find two men by Rachel's sepulchre in the border of Benjamin at Zelzah; and they will say unto thee, The asses which thou wentest to seek are found: and, lo, thy father hath left the care of the asses, and sorroweth for you, saying, What shall I do for my son? 3 Then shalt thou go on forward from thence, and thou shalt come to the plain of Tabor, and there shall meet thee three men going up to God to Bethel, one carrying three kids, and another carrying three loaves of bread, and another carrying a bottle of wine: 4 And they will salute thee, and give thee two loaves of bread; which thou shalt receive of their hands.

A King Demanded (1 Samuel 8)

Prophecies as Proof (1 Samuel 10)

A Failed Faith (1 Samuel 13)

1 Samuel 10:9

9 And it was so, that when he had turned his back to go from Samuel, God gave him another heart: and all those signs came to pass that day.

A King Demanded (1 Samuel 8)

Prophecies as Proof (1 Samuel 10)

A Failed Faith (1 Samuel 13)

1 Samuel 10:5-6

5 After that thou shalt come to the hill of God, where is the garrison of the Philistines: and it shall come to pass, when thou art come thither to the city, that thou shalt meet a company of prophets coming down from the high place with a psaltery, and a tabret, and a pipe, and a harp, before them; and they shall prophesy: 6 And the Spirit of the Lord will come upon thee, and thou shalt prophesy with them, and shalt be turned into another man.

A King Demanded (1 Samuel 8)

Prophecies as Proof (1 Samuel 10)

A Failed Faith (1 Samuel 13)

1 Samuel 10:10

10 And when they came thither to the hill, behold, a company of prophets met him; and the Spirit of God came upon him, and he prophesied among them.

God uses fulfilled prophecy to bolster our faith

Luke 24:44-45

44 And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me. 45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,

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1 Samuel 10:8

8 And thou shalt go down before me to Gilgal; and, behold, I will come down unto thee, to offer burnt offerings, and to sacrifice sacrifices of peace offerings: seven days shalt thou tarry, till I come to thee, and shew thee what thou shalt do.

A King Demanded (1 Samuel 8)

Prophecies as Proof (1 Samuel 10)

A Failed Faith (1 Samuel 13)

1 Samuel 13:7-14

7b ... As for Saul, he was yet in Gilgal, and all the people followed him trembling. 8 And he tarried seven days, according to the set time that Samuel had appointed: but Samuel came not to Gilgal; and the people were scattered from him. 9 And Saul said, Bring hither a burnt offering to me, and peace offerings. And he offered the burnt offering. 10 And it came to pass, that as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came; and Saul went out to meet him, that he might salute him. 11 And Samuel said, What hast thou done? And Saul said, Because I saw that the people were scattered from me, and that thou camest not within the days appointed, and that the Philistines gathered themselves together at Michmash;

A King Demanded (1 Samuel 8)

Prophecies as Proof (1 Samuel 10)

A Failed Faith (1 Samuel 13)

1 Samuel 13:7-14

12 Therefore said I, The Philistines will come down now upon me to Gilgal, and I have not made supplication unto the LORD: I forced myself therefore, and offered a burnt offering. 13 And Samuel said to Saul, Thou hast done foolishly: thou hast not kept the commandment of the LORD thy God, which he commanded thee: for now would the LORD have established thy kingdom upon Israel for ever. 14 But now thy kingdom shall not continue: the LORD hath sought him a man after his own heart, and the LORD hath commanded him to be captain over his people, because thou hast not kept that which the LORD commanded thee.

The passing of time
does not dwindle
the faithfulness of
God

Our obedience far
outweighs our
works / sacrifices

1 Samuel 15:22

And Samuel said, hath the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams

Jesus born in Bethlehem	1 / 280,000
A messenger ushering in the ministry of Jesus (ie, John the Baptist)	1 / 1,000
Jesus to enter Jerusalem on a donkey	1 / 100
Jesus to be betrayed by a friend	1 / 1,000
Jesus to be betrayed for 30 pieces of silver	1 / 1,000
30 pieces of silver used to buy a potter's field	1 / 100,000
Jesus to offer no verbal self-defense during His trial	1 / 1,000
Jesus to be crucified	1 / 10,000





Where is God
currently demanding
our obedience?

Reflection Questions:

1. Do you ever feel overwhelmed by your life's circumstances?
2. Do these circumstances ever hinder your spiritual growth?
3. How can you move forward in faith even in the midst of your life's circumstances?