

1 SAMUEL

Notes

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Sermon Study Guide

(Reminder: The purpose of the questions is to explore the text and themes of the sermon. **Do not feel a need to go through all of the questions.**

The goal is to stimulate discussion/reflection and transformation related to the sermon text and themes.)

Life Group Questions adapted from Dale Davis's commentary on 1 Samuel in the Focus on the Bible Series.

1. For all his wickedness, Saul was determined to get religion at the end. He had "the appearance of godliness, but denying its power." (2 Tim. 3:5). How should this warn us to cast ourselves on God's grace so that we don't go the same way?

(Gal. 6:1b)

2. Do you agree that nothing could be more important than being more and more sensitive to God's word, a sensitivity expressed in repentance, faith, and obedience?

3. It is important to remember that believers ought to bring all their problems to God, no matter what they are and even if they are problems with God. How would you encourage a believer who might feel that, like Saul they too are cut off from God? Consider Psalm 13 & 88 (notice the Psalmist's progression in Ps. 13: doubt, question, cry, rejoicing; but in Psalm 88 the Psalmist's feeling isn't resolved even though he cried out to God his circumstances don't change).

4. After reading Matthew 27:46 and Mark 15:33-34, think about the depth of suffering Christ endured for you, and then come to Him in thankful worship.