

Saint Luke Presbyterian Church
Wednesday Morning Bible Study



The Book of 1 Samuel

The book of 1Samuel records the founding of the Kingdom of Israel. If having a human king was not God’s will for His chosen people (see 8:7, for example), why did He choose and anoint (through Samuel) first Saul and then David? If He knew how Saul would end up, why did He pick him at all?

1Sam Reference	Significance	New Testament Comparison
1:8	Note Elkanah’s apparent “co-dependency”	
1:10 – 17	Wrong human perception of a situation. Eli’s acceptance of Hannah’s correction, and his blessing her.	
2:1 – 10	Samuel was a “type” of Christ	Lk 1:46-55
2:21b – 16	same	Lk 2:40, 52
12:22 – 25	Concise summary of holiness (God’s and man’s)	
14:29 – 30	Did Jonathan honor his father?	
15:23	There is no choice about WHETHER to worship, only what or whom.	Rom 6:16
15:24	What happens when a person NEEDS to please people?	Gal 1:10
15:29, 35	What are we to think about God?	Heb 13:8
16:7	What does it mean to accept our own judgment rather than God’s?	Mat 16:23
25:17 – 35	What does it mean to “intercede”? How is Jesus our “Intercessor”?	Heb 7:25
27:1	What happened?	Mat 14:30

What are we to conclude from all these parallels? Perhaps God has been seeking to communicate a consistent message from the beginning, using different methods and different words at different times, but never changing the fundamentals:

- Who He is
- His desire for people to draw near to Him in love and obedience – for our good.