

INTRODUCTION

- * The book of 1 Samuel is a transitional book. It begins in the time of the Judges and leads us into the reign of David.
- * The three primary characters of this book are: Samuel, Saul and David.
- * As the book of Judges was summarized by two key passages (2:8,10 and 21:25), so the remainder of Israel's history can be prefaced with Israel's statement recorded in 8:19-20 "No, but we will have a king over us, that we also may be like all the nations"
- * Today, we come to that passage. When the nation voiced what had been in their hearts.

INSTRUCTION**I. THE PE _____ OF SAMUEL'S GOVERNANCE (7:15-8:3)**

A. His T _____ (7:15)

B. His C _____ (7:16)

C. His H _____ (7:17)

D. His S _____ (8:1-3)

1. THEIR A _____ MENT (8:1)
2. THEIR DISA _____ MENT (8:3; Ex 23:6,8; Dty 16:19; 24:17; Ps 119:36; Prov 1:19; 15:27; 28:16)

II. THE PE _____ OF ISRAEL'S ELDERS (8:4-22)

A. The Re _____ of God (v. 4-7, 19)

B. The Re _____ of Samuel (v. 6)

C. The Re _____ of YHWH (v. 7-22)

1. AWARENESS OF THE PE _____
2. A WARNING TO THE PE _____

INTROSPECTION

- * WHO DO YOU WANT TO BE YOUR KING?
WHICH KINGDOM ARE YOU SERVING?
- * WHO DO YOU WANT TO BE PRESIDENT?
WHAT CRITERIA ARE YOU USING TO CHOOSE? THE WORLD'S OR GOD'S?
- * HAVE WE, AS "PRIESTS" AND "AMBASSADORS" OF GOD, DONE ANYTHING TO TURN THE PEOPLE AWAY FROM FOLLOWING GOD?
- * ARE YOU WILLING TO HUMBLE YOURSELF, CONFESS YOUR SIN AND SERVE THE LORD?
- * IS THERE A NEED TO "CHANGE THE WAY YOU THINK" ... AND ACT?