

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"
- * Last week we considered how Saul's struggled with self-control ... a character flaw that is normally revealed by impetuosity and impatience
- * Today, we see another area of struggle in his life - pride.

INSTRUCTION

I. THE INSTRUCTION OF YHWH - THE M_____ION OF SAUL (v. 1-9)

A. The D_____ (v. 1-3)

B. The D_____ (v. 4-9)

II. THE DECISION OF YHWH - THE R_____ION OF SAUL (v. 10-31)

A. Communicated To Samuel (v. 10-11)

1. YHWH's ANG_____
2. SAMUEL'S ANG_____ (cf. Gen 4:5,6; 18:30,32; 31:36; Gen 34:7; Gen 30:2; 39:19; Exod 32:19; Num 11:1,10,33)

B. Communicated To Saul (v. 12-31)

1. THE IN_____ATION ABOUT SAUL (v. 12)
2. THE IN_____TION WITH SAUL (v. 13-31)
 - a. His Re_____
 - b. His Re_____
 - i. THE C_____ OF YHWH (v. 22-23; 1 John 2:3-6; John 14:15, 23-24; 15:10,14; James 2:10; Romans 3:23; 6:23)
 - ii. THE C_____ OF YHWH (v. 23, 26, 28-29)
 - c. His Re_____ (v. 24, 30)
 - d. His Re_____ (v. 25, 30-31)

INTROSPECTION

- * WHAT COMMANDS, OR INSTRUCTIONS, HAS GOD GIVEN YOU TO OBEY?
- * ARE YOU CONTENT WITH 90% OBEDIENCE?
- * WHEN YOU ARE CONFRONTED WITH YOUR SIN, ARE YOU MORE BOTHERED THAT YOU OFFENDED GOD ... OR THAT THERE IS A CONSEQUENCE TO YOU?
- * HOW PREVALENT IS PRIDE IN YOUR LIFE? ARE YOU WILLING TO CONFESS IT TO THE LORD?
- * IS THERE A NEED TO "CHANGE THE WAY YOU THINK" ... AND ACT?