



Quiet Time

April 28-May 4, 2024

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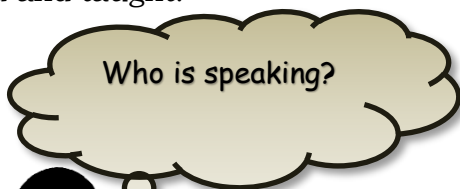
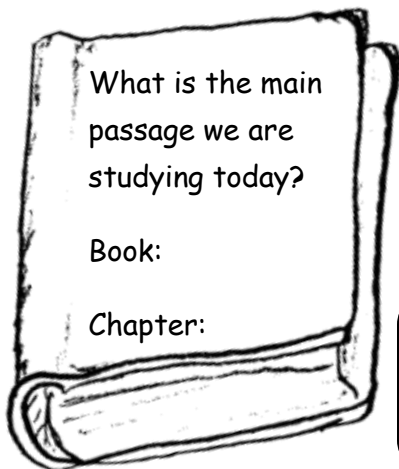
And Samuel said, "Has the LORD as great delight
in burnt offerings and sacrifices,
as in obeying the voice of the LORD?
Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice,
and to listen than the fat of rams."

Saul
Disobeys
God



Sermon notes

As you attend church service with your family, use these next two pages to help you listen and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God, praying, and listening to God's Word being read and taught.



Title of Sermon:

What is the Big Idea of the passage?



Which song from today's service is your favorite and why?



Words you heard but don't know...

What are we learning about God from this passage?

Write or draw something that you heard in the sermon today.

Fill in the blanks below during the service, and then talk to your parents about them on the way home.

I heard _____
but was confused or had a hard time believing it.

Hearing and believing this about God is... _____

_____ ...changes the way I...

Saul Disobeys God – Monday

- Say the memory verse to mom, dad, or older sibling.

Pray: Dear Father, help me to understand what I read in Your Word.

Read: 1 Samuel 13:1-7

As king, Saul went on from his victory over Nahash the Ammonite to fight Israel's enemy, the Philistines.

Saul sends messengers out with trumpets to announce his victory over Philistine soldiers, but who had really fought and won that battle (v 3)?

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Why would Saul want everyone to think he won this battle? _____

Did this bring glory to God or to Saul? _____

Discuss with a parent: Was it wrong for the king to take the credit? ____
Why, or why not? _____

The Philistines came back with more troops and weapons. They were ready to attack. How did the Israelites respond (vv 6-7)? _____

Application:

Israel was still afraid of the Philistines because they were thinking about how many Philistine soldiers there were. Israel was not thinking about how powerful God is. Israel was trusting in the power and faithfulness of man, and when it didn't look like man was powerful and faithful enough to protect them, they were terribly afraid.

Are you ever afraid? Your fear starts in the same place that Israel's fear started. When you are afraid, you are only thinking about what you, or someone else, can do to protect and help you. Thinking about God, how loving, powerful and faithful He is, will bring you peace instead of fear. What is something that makes you anxious, worried, or afraid?

Does God know this about you? Yes or NO Is God more powerful than this? Yes or No Ask God to help you remember His faithful care.

Complete your Prayer Journal for today, and pray about it.

Saul Disobeys God - Tuesday

- Say the memory verse to mom, dad, or older sibling.

Pray: Dear Father, help me to understand what I read in Your Word.

Read: 1 Samuel 13:8-12

Read 1 Samuel 10:8. Where and for how long was Saul supposed to wait for Samuel? _____

Did Saul wait for Samuel as commanded (13:8-9)? _____

Who showed up as soon as Saul finished making the burnt offering (v 10)? _____

Saul had disobeyed the command of the LORD, but he did not want to take the blame (vv 11-12). What excuses did Saul give to Samuel for his act of disobeying God? _____

Saul made a sacrifice like Samuel was going to do, but his reason for making the sacrifice was neither to worship God nor to truly seek God's help and guidance in winning the battle against the Philistines.

Application:

Saul did not trust the LORD, and his disobedience proved it. Lack of faith is always shown by a person's disobedience. When we disobey, we are saying with our actions that we do not trust God in that area of our lives. Have you ever disobeyed and thought that it wasn't a big deal?

Which is obedience?

- Do what you're told to do, but when you want to do it.
- Do what you're told to do by your parents, when they tell you to do it, but have a bad attitude about it!
- Do what you're told to do by your parents, when they tell you to do it, with a good attitude!

Complete your Prayer Journal for today, and pray about it.

Saul Disobeys God - Wednesday

- Say the memory verse to mom, dad, or older sibling.

Pray: Dear Father, help me to understand what I read in Your Word.

Read: 1 Samuel 13:13-15

Samuel is very upset, and tells Saul "You have done f_____." (v 13) Then, Samuel gives Saul the bad news about his kingdom. What was the bad news (vv 13-14)? _____

Verse 14 tells us that God has already picked out a new king to replace Saul. What is special about the man of God's own choosing (v 14)? _____

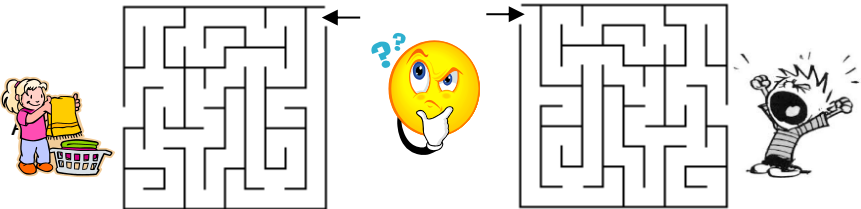
Saul looked like he would be the perfect king for Israel. He was tall, handsome, and his father was wealthy. But in the end, Saul's heart was not devoted to the LORD. When trouble came, Saul showed what was really in his heart. He would do whatever it took to make himself look good.

Application:

Did Saul's sacrifice please the LORD? _____ Can your worship ever be done wrong, too? _____ Can we pray, and give, and sing to the LORD and actually make Him angry? _____

Saul had disobeyed God. Samuel told Saul that he would have a consequence. A consequence is something that happens because of something you do. Because Saul didn't obey God, his family would no longer be kings. God had to show Saul and Israel that it is important to obey God in their hearts as well as in their actions.

Have you ever disobeyed and had a bad consequence? _____ This is your parent's way to teach you that obeying is important in heart as well as actions, too. Make the right choice.... Complete the best maze.



Complete your Prayer Journal for today, and pray about it.

Saul Disobeys God - Thursday

- Say the memory verse to mom, dad, or older sibling.

Pray: Dear Father, help me to understand what I read in Your Word.

Read: 1 Samuel 15:1-11

Samuel comes to Saul, even though he has not obeyed, and gives him another chance to do what God commanded. Would Saul finally obey the LORD (vv 3, 9)? _____

What group of people did the LORD tell Saul to devote to destruction (vv 1-3)? _____

Read *Exodus 17:7-16*. When had Amalek attacked Israel in the past? _____

The LORD God had declared in the days of Moses that He would wipe out the memory of the Amalekites, forever. Saul was to be God's chosen person to bring about the LORD's punishment. What was Saul to "spare" or save after the battle (v 3)? _____

Cross out the pictures of what Saul was supposed to destroy:



In what ways did Saul not fully obey the LORD's commands (v 9)? _____

What did the LORD tell Samuel about having made Saul king (vv 11)? _____

Application:

Have you ever told your parents that you have completed a chore when you have only done part of it? _____

Is God pleased or angry when you do this? _____ God wants you to obey and when you don't, He wants you to do this...

1 John 1:9 – If we c_____ our sins, He (God) is faithful and just to f_____ us our sins and to c_____ us from all unrighteousness.

Complete your Prayer Journal for today, and pray about it.

Saul Disobeys God – Friday

- Say the memory verse to mom, dad, or older sibling.

Pray: Dear Father, help me to understand what I read in Your Word.

Read: 1 Samuel 15:12-23

What had Saul made for himself (v 12)?

What does Saul say he has done in verse 13?

Was this true? _____



Samuel answers Saul with a question? What is Samuel's question (v 14)?

Saul basically said, "I did it! I obeyed the LORD!" Samuel knew better. Samuel could see all the animals Saul had NOT devoted to the LORD. Samuel points to the "spoil" and asks "Why...did you not obey the voice of the LORD?" Does Saul now admit that he has sinned (v 20)? _____

Whom does he blame for not obeying the LORD (v 21)? _____

Repentance is to have a change of heart and mind so that we see our sin the way God sees it and purpose to change. Has Saul repented of his sin of disobedience? _____ Saul rebelled against the LORD and did what he thought would be better than God's plan. Saul rejected the LORD as his God, so now, the LORD rejected Saul as king.

Application:

Who knows what is the best for you to do? God OR You

How can you know everything that God wants you to love and do?

Your own thoughts and ideas OR By reading the Bible

When you do what is different from what the Bible tells you to do, you are saying that you want to do YOUR plans instead of God's plans. God desires your total obedience, which you cannot do on your own. You must ask Him in faith to change your heart that you might obey Him in all you do and say.

Complete your Prayer Journal for today, and pray about it.

Saul Disobeys God – Saturday

- Say the memory verse to mom, dad, or older sibling.

Pray: Dear Father, help me to understand what I read in Your Word.

Read: 1 Samuel 15:24-31, 35

The people had rejected God and demanded that Samuel “give them a king like all the other nations.” In spite of God’s warnings about what a king would cost them, the people did not repent until the LORD thundered and rained from heaven to show them His wrath (1 Samuel 12:16:19).

Israel had been given what they wanted. Saul was king. They would soon live to regret having their requests for Saul. Unlike the LORD their God, Saul was a very selfish and bad king.

You’ve learned this week:

- The King begins to disobey the LORD (1 Samuel 13:1-12).
- The LORD tells Saul, “Your kingdom shall not continue,” (1 Samuel 13:13-14).
- The LORD rejects Saul as king because he refuses to repent of his sinful ways (1 Samuel 15:1-34).

Application:

Saul only asked for forgiveness when he received his consequence. Saul was not sad that he disobeyed God but rather that he was no longer going to be king. Saul thought it was no big deal to disobey God, and he made excuses and lied about his disobedience.

Do you ever disobey and then lie about it? Do you ever make excuses for why you disobey? God wants you to be honest when you disobey. When we ask God to forgive us from our heart, He DOES forgive!

Remember 1 John 1:9 – *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

Do you make excuses when you don’t obey? YES NO

Do you lie about your sin? YES NO

Ask God to change your heart to hate sin and love obedience. Ask God to help you to be honest about your sin and to obey God instead.

Complete your Prayer Journal for today, and pray about it.

Prayer Journal

Honor God with your praises and respect
Examine your life for sin and confess it to God
Ask God to supply for your personal needs
Request God's help for the needs of others
Thank God for blessing you every day

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Prayer Journal *...continued*

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Gray Road Baptist Church, Children's Ministries

This quiet time lesson was written to coincide with the Generations of Grace Sunday School curriculum. The daily lessons represented are in conjunction with the teacher's manual to provide a fluid, consistent message to your children both in Sunday school and in their private devotions. MacArthur, John. *The MacArthur Study Bible; & Early Elementary, Generations of Grace.* ©

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THE PRAISE FACTORY

Come join us on Wednesday nights in the gym!

7:00-8:30 p.m.

UNIT #4: The LORD is an awesome God.

Unit #4: Can anybody tell what the LORD is like?

Unit #4 Answer: He's not like anyone else.

Unit #4 Verse: *1 Kings 8:23*

Big Idea #14: The LORD is a glorious Spirit.

Big Idea #14 Verse: *John 4:23-24*

Big Idea #15: The LORD is the only true God.

Big Idea #15 Verse: *Psalms 86:8-10*

Big Idea #16: The LORD is everywhere all the time.

Big Idea #16 Verse: *Psalms 139:7-10*

Big Idea #17: The LORD knows everything there is to know.

Big Idea #17 Verse: *Daniel 2:20-22*

Big Idea #18: The LORD is one God, yet three persons.

Big Idea #18 Verse: *2 Corinthians 13:14*

Big Idea #19: The LORD is holy.

Big Idea #19 Verse: *Isaiah 6:1-3*

Big Idea #20: The LORD is omnipotent.

Big Idea #20 Verse: *Psalms 135:5-6*

Big Idea #21: The LORD is faithful.

Big Idea #21 Verse: *Psalms 145:13*

Big Idea #22: The LORD'S names tell us about Him.

Big Idea #22 Verse: *Deuteronomy 32:3-4*

UNIT #5: God, the Good Creator.

Unit #5: Can anybody tell what the LORD is like?

Unit #5 Answer: God made all things good.

Unit #5 Verse: *Genesis 1:31*

Big Idea #23: God created all things good in the beginning.

Big Idea #23 Verse: *Nehemiah 9:6*

Big Idea #24: God created people good in the beginning.

Big Idea #24 Verse: *Genesis 1:26-28*

Big Idea #25: God created the world to praise and glorify Him.

Big Idea #25 Verse: *Psalms 148:7-13*

⁷*Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps,*

⁸*fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling his word!*

⁹*Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!* ¹⁰*Beasts and all*

livestock, creeping things and flying birds! ¹¹*Kings of the earth and all*

peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! ¹²*Young men and maidens*

together, old men and children! ¹³*Let them praise the name of the Lord,*

for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven.