

First Samuel

Theme: Transition to an Earthly King

Weekly Reading Schedule

- Sunday - 1 - 7
- Monday - 8 - 12
- Tuesday - 13 - 15
- Wednesday - 16 - 20
- Thursday - 21 - 24
- Friday - 25 - 27
- Saturday - 28 - 31

Memory Verses:

- ★ 1 Samuel 3:10
- ★ 1 Samuel 8:6-8
- ★ 1 Samuel 15:22
- ★ 1 Samuel 16:7
- ★ 1 Samuel 17:37
- ★ Verse(s) of your choice:

Interesting Facts

- ❖ 1 Samuel is the first of 6 historical books in our English Bible which contain overlapping periods covering from the rise of the Kingdom of Israel through its division and finally its captivity.
- ❖ The divisions of these books has varied through their years of publication
- ❖ The Jews have an ancient tradition that the book was written by Samuel but that is widely rejected today as authorship unknown.
- ❖ The book of 1 Samuel contains 31 chapters, 810 verses, 25,048 words and requires about 2 hours and 15 minutes to read.

Memorable Outline of First Samuel

- I. Prelude to Monarchy in Israel (1 Sam. 1 - 1 Sam. 7)
- II. Advent of Monarchy in Israel (1 Sam. 8 - 1 Sam. 15)
- III. Establishment of Monarchy in Israel (1 Sam. 16 - 31)

Scheme of Redemption

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The Redeemed Request a King
After Their Own Heart

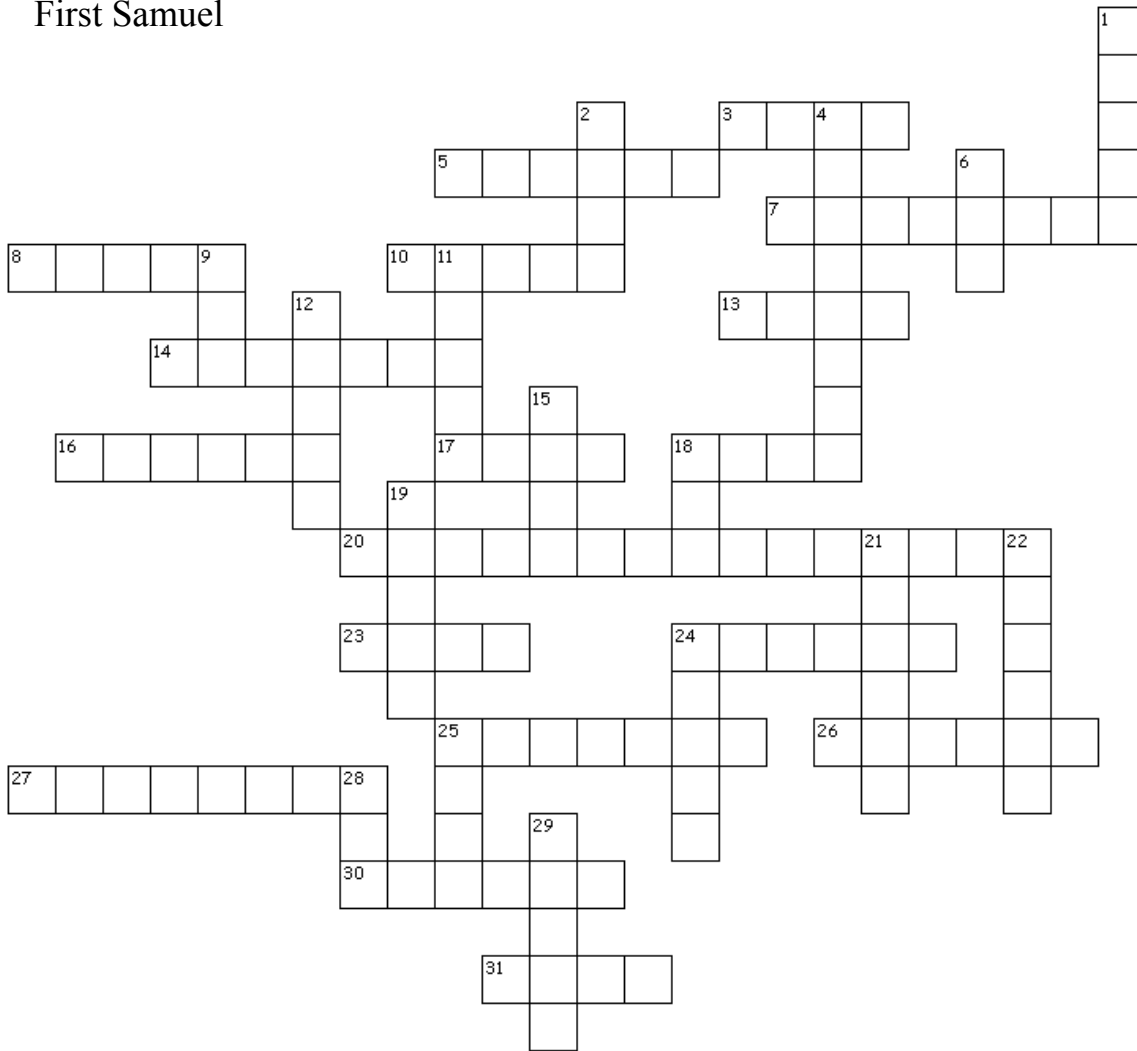
- “And said unto him, Behold, thou art old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: now make us a king to judge us like all the nations” (1 Samuel 8:5)
- “And all the people said to Samuel, Pray....that we die not: for we have added to all our sins this evil, to ask us a king” (1 Samuel 12:9)

What to look for as you read:

1. The strength and weaknesses of Samuel
2. The appearance, character, and nature of Saul before and after becoming king
3. The relationship of David and Jonathon
4. The relationship of David and Saul
5. The relationship of God and the redeemed

Notes

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Across

3. To ___ is better than sacrifice
5. Hannah name her son ___
7. People of Bethshemesh ___ when they saw ark
8. David cut off ___ of Saul's robe
10. Hannah's ___ rejoiced in the Lord
13. Samuel's firstborn
14. Was six cubits and a span
16. The Lord will not forsake his ___
17. Was set over the servants of Saul
18. Covenant between David and Jonathan was for
20. Elkanah was from
23. Was a goodly man
24. Had no children
25. Samuel said, "Speak, for thy ___ heareth"
26. Lord lifteth up from dunghill
27. Son of Saul
30. Children of ___ despised Saul
31. Saul seeketh to ___ David

Down

1. Saul fell upon a ___
2. Yourselves like men
4. Stone between Mizpeh and Shen
6. Eli's eyes were
9. Hannah had ___ daughters
11. Ahiah wore an ___
12. Elkanah had two ___
15. Hannah ___ and did not eat
18. Father of Hophni
19. Abigail was wife of
21. Hannah ___ unto the Lord
22. Became David's wife
24. Jonathan tasted a little ___
25. Jonathan loved David as his own ___
28. Ahimelech was priest of
29. Youngest son of Jesse