

I SAMUEL

AT-A-GLANCE



O.T. BOOK #9



AUTHOR:
SAMUEL



WRITTEN:
AROUND 900BC

Covering the time period of 1150 BC - 1000 BC

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Old Testament: 39 Books

New Testament: 27 Books

BOOK HIGHLIGHTS: Contains the famous story of David killing Goliath

KEY STORIES:

- Samuel's mother, Hannah, gives him back to the Lord after he is born.
- Samuel hears God's voice as boy.
- Samuel anoints David as the future kings.
- David kills Goliath.
- Saul calls on a witch to bring the prophet Samuel back to life and speak to him.

KEY VERSES:

And Samuel said, Hath 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 hearken than the fat of rams. ***I Samuel 15:22***

But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart. ***I Samuel 16:7***

Important Points about the Book:

- I Samuel contains the accounts of Samuel the prophet, King Saul and King David's trials before he was king.
- The people demanded a king to the prophet Samuel because they wanted to be like the surrounding nations. They rejected God as their king.
- The first king was Saul, and the second king was David. God rejected Saul. This book covers mostly the prophet Samuel growing up, King Saul's good and bad decisions and his chasing down of David to try to kill him.
- The book ends with the death of Saul.

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1 Samuel covers Israel's history from the birth of the famed prophet Samuel up through King David's trials before he was king. It ends with the death of King Saul, which opens the door for David to ascend to the throne. The biography of Samuel, the story of David and Goliath, and the biography of King Saul are included.



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NUMBER OF CHAPTERS:
31



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HISTORY



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BREAKDOWNS

I Samuel 1:1-2:11	Hannah Prays For and Dedicates Samuel to the Lord
I Samuel 2:12-36	Eli the Priest Has Wicked Sons
I Samuel 3	Samuel, As a Boy, Hears God
I Samuel 4	The Philistines, The Ark and Eli's Death
I Samuel 5-6	The Ark is Returned to Israel
I Samuel 7	Israel Repents After 20 Years
I Samuel 8	Israel Asks For A King
I Samuel 9-10	Samuel Anoints Saul, Who Becomes King
I Samuel 11	Saul is the Hero at Jabesh
I Samuel 12	Samuel's Address to Israel
I Samuel 13	Saul Makes Early Mistakes
I Samuel 14	Trouble With the Philistines
I Samuel 15	God Rejects Saul as King
I Samuel 16	Samuel Anoints the Youngest - David
I Samuel 17	David & Goliath
I Samuel 18-23	Saul Pursues David in Jealousy
I Samuel 24	David Spares Saul's Life the First Time
I Samuel 25	David Marries Abigail, His Second Wife
I Samuel 26	David Spares Saul's Life the Second Time
I Samuel 27	David Lives Among the Philistines
I Samuel 28	Saul & the Witch of Endor
I Samuel 29	David Forced to Leave the Philistines
I Samuel 30	David Destroys the Amalekites
I Samuel 31	Death of Saul and His Sons

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT 1 SAMUEL

- Chapters: 31
- Verses: 810
- Words: 25,048
- Samuel lived 90 years and ministered for 52 years.
- Samuel was a young child when God called him.
- Samuel was Israel's last prophet and first judge.
- Samuel began the School of the Prophets
- I Samuel describes the transition from judges to Kings.
- Samuel's wife is never named, but he does have two sons. (8:1-3)