Lesson 18

Samuel- Israel's Last Judge



Scripture Memory

Blessed are those whose ways are blameless, who walk according to the law of the Lord. Blessed are those who keep his statutes and seek him with all their heart—they do no wrong but follow his ways. You have laid down precepts that are to be fully obeyed.

Psalm 119:1-4

Target Truths

- God wants us to develop an attitude of prayer in every area of our lives.
- God wants to rule our lives directly.
- We need to seek God's will to see if we are involved in any "useless things" that have no value for us as Christians



Vocabulary

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Iniquity: violation of a moral law; sin

Rout: to put to disorderly flight or retreat

Life Principle

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Prayer is not...

- A good luck charm to prevent misfortune from coming into our lives.
- A tool to use when we are in an emergency situation.
- A way to get our selfish desires met.
- Something memorized and repeated without thinking.

Prayer is...

- Christians' way to talk to our Father about our problems and feelings.
- A time to seek wisdom and guidance from our Father.
- A time to praise God and show Him reverence.
- Answered according to God's will with God's glory and our good in mind.

Character Traits

<u>Attentiveness</u>

Definition: listening closely to what God is saying through His Word

Humility

Definition: realizing it is God who brings about success in my life, not myself

The Story of Samuel



Review

- 1. The people of Israel ask the Lord to give them a king.
- 2. The Israelites were rejecting the Lord when they asked for this.
- 3. Samuel was the last true judge of Israel.
- 4. Iniquity means "violation of a moral law; sin".
- 5. The Lord wanted to rule the Israelites.
- 6. Saul was the first king of Israel.
- 7. Samuel's mother, Hannah, promised the Lord that if He would give her a son, she would dedicate him to the Lord's service.
- 8. As a child, Samuel lived at the house of the Lord in Shiloh and ministered to the priest, Eli.
- 9. One of the conditions for prayer studied in this lesson is a humble spirit, a yielded heart, a clear conscience, or obedience.
- 10. One of the hindrances to prayer studied in this lesson is disobedience, sin, stubbornness, or selfishness

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