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1 SAMUEL – PART TWO DAVID AND SAUL

Lesson 21

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QUESTIONS

- How do you handle crisis?
- Who do you live to please?

THE FALL OF SAUL

- Humility is gone.
- Obedience is gone.
- Common sense is gone.
- Courage is gone.
- Sanity is gone.
- Anointing is gone (to David).

THE RISE OF DAVID

- I Sam. 16
- The youngest of eight brothers.
- An after thought for Dad.
- Not the apparent choice for Samuel.
- Selective indwelling: “From that day on the Spirit of the LORD came upon David in power.” (verse 13).

QUESTION ONE

- How do you handle crisis?

DAVID AND GOLIATH

- The Face-off.
- Goliath of Gath – a big fellow too!
- Soldiers and King paralyzed with fear.
- David sent to check on things.
- Details reveal character.
 - David arises early to start (17:20).
 - David leaves sheep with Shepard (17:20).
 - David leaves supplies with responsible person (17:22).

DAVID AND GOLIATH

- Difference in reaction: FEAR vs. ASTONISHMENT.
- David sees as God.
“Who is this uncircumcised Philistine that he should defy the armies of the living God?” (17:26).
- Sibling’s words to eat.... (17:28).
- David’s experience with God (17:34-37).

DAVID AND GOLIATH

- David sticks with God.
- “I cannot go with these because I am not familiar with them.” (17:39).
- Trash talk....
- Goliath with Shield bearer, David with *El Shaddai* (17:41 and 45ff).
- David runs to battle (17:48).
- One walks away...the one with God on his side.
- The rout begins.

SAUL FINISHED OFF

- Saul jealous.
- Saul tries every way to kill David.
- David refuses to kill Saul.
- Jonathan helps David.

QUESTION TWO

- Who do you live to please?

DOEG THE EDMITE

- Priests of Nob help David (I Sam. 21).
- Beware Doeg the Edomite (21:7; 22:9, 18ff, 22).
- The witch at Endor.
- The End of Saul.

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POINTS FOR HOME

- Pray for God's vision – to see things as he does.
- God is bigger than the tall and the really tall!
- With God we move fearlessly.
- Remember God's works.
- Choose your tools wisely.
- God's timing... (Patience anyone?).