

From Shepherd to King

Ch 11 Workbook

Day One

Read I Sa 16:1-13

1. What does God ask Samuel in v.1?

What is He saying to him?

2. In v.7, God reveals His criteria for service. What is His Criteria?

How is this different from how we think and make choices?

3. Why would God choose a 16yr old shepherd boy to lead His people?

How does the choice of David compare to the choice of Abraham or Moses?

What is God revealing about Himself through all 3 of these leaders He has chosen?

4. How did God equip David?

If one thing is clear from today's lesson, it's that God can use anyone who is yielded. Focus your prayer time today on yielding to whatever God has for you. Write a prayer submitting to God's call on your life.

Day Two

Read I Sa 17

1. How did Saul respond to Goliath?
2. What reaction did Goliath's challenge evoke in David?

3. How did Eliab react to David's appearance?

Who does Eliab resemble from last week's lesson? How so?

4. How did Saul see and react to David?

How did Goliath see and react to David?

5. What caused David to come forward?

Daily we face questions about what battles to enter and our role in those battles. Spend today's prayer time asking God what He's showing you personally through this passage. Write a prayer in response.

Day Three

Read I Sa 18:6-30

1. What does David's success reveal about Saul?
2. What things does Saul do to harm or endanger David?
3. How do we see David responding?
4. What was the cause of Saul's attacks on David?

Victory and obedience commonly result in attack. There is much to be learned through how David responded. Focus your prayer time today on asking God to show you how He wants to apply this specifically in your life. Write a prayer in response.

Day Four

Read 2 Sa 6:1-11

1. What do you think motivated David to move the ark?
2. Why did God strike down Uzzah?
3. What was David's initial reaction to Uzzah's death?
4. What was God showing David and His people through this situation?

Re-read 2 Sa 6:2. Nothing in scripture is just randomly stated. God went into great detail about the title of the ark. His holiness is not to be treated lightly. Meditate today on Is 6:1-4. Write a prayer in praise and worship of God's holiness in response.

Day Five

Read 2 Sa 6:12-23

1. What was different when David moved the ark this time?
2. Write the phrases that describe David's behavior and the festivities surrounding the return of the ark.

3. How did Michal react and why?
4. What was David's response to her criticism?
5. Read Ps 150. How are we commanded to praise God?

Do we praise/worship this way? What might be holding you back?

Today's passage has much to say about worship. Spend time praising God as we have seen it through these passages. Ask God to show you how He wants to apply this to your worship. Write a prayer in response.

