



Saul Rejected as King:

1 Samuel 13-15

Lesson 60 Visuals

- **The Philistines kept causing trouble for Israel.**
- **Saul's son Jonathan led Israelite soldiers to fight smaller groups of Philistines.**
- **When the Philistine soldiers assembled altogether, it appeared as if they were as numerous as the sand on the seashore.**
- **Many men of Israel hid or ran away when they saw this massive army.**
- **Saul waiting for Samuel to come offer up a burnt offering to the Lord.**
- **The purpose of this offering was to call out to God to help them defeat the Philistines.**



- **According to God's instructions, only a priest could offer up a burnt offering. But Samuel the priest was late. Saul had already waited seven days for Samuel.**
- **Saul went against God's instructions and acted like a priest and offered the burnt offering.**
- **Saul said he did it because he thought he had to seek the Lord's favor.**
- **Samuel said now Saul's kingdom will come to an end. And God would seek a man after God's own heart.**
- **God loves everyone unconditionally, but God does not reward bad behavior. God does not give us His favor when we disobey Him. Rather, God gives us His favor when we OBEY Him.**
- **God said He will choose a man after God's own heart. A man after God's own heart will want to obey God.**



- **Saul proclaimed a curse on anyone who ate anything before evening or before the Philistines were defeated.**
- **Jonathan didn't hear about the curse and ate some honey.**
- **Saul knew that someone had eaten something because God did not answer when the priest inquired of the Lord.**
- **Saul said the one who sinned must die.**
- **Saul was ready to put Jonathan to death, but all the men of Israel stopped him.**
- **God told Saul to totally destroy all the Amalekites and everything that belongs to them.**
- **God said Saul was not to spare anyone or anything.**
- **Saul did not follow God's instructions. He saved King Agag and the best of the sheep and cattle.**



- **The Lord was grieved that He made Saul king because Saul turned away from God and did not carry out God’s instructions.**
- **Saul made a monument to honor himself.**
- **Saul blamed the soldiers for sparing the best of the sheep and cattle.**
- **Saul’s excuse for sparing the best of the sheep and cattle was that they were to be sacrificed to the LORD God.**
- **When the LORD asked why he did not obey the LORD, Saul said, “But I did obey the LORD.”**
- **Saul did not obey God fully. Saul obeyed God only partially.**
- **Partial obedience is disobedience.**
- **Samuel said, “To obey is better than sacrifice.”**
- **Samuel said to Saul, “Because you have rejected the word of the LORD, He has rejected you as king.”**



- **Saul finally admitted that he had sinned.**
- **The real reason why Saul did not follow God's instructions was that he was afraid of the people, so he gave into them.**