

Settling into the Kingship

1 Sam 10:17-11:15

The private anointing, 10:1-8

The public selection, 10:17-27

Even here, Samuel calls on Israel to repent.

The choosing by lots, 10:20; Proverbs 16:33

The reluctant King, 22

The public awareness, 23-24

He had status, 9:1ff

He had stature, 9:2, 10:24

He was equipped, 10:8-13

He was assured, 10:3-11

He was reminded of his responsibility, 10:25

While they have a king, Samuel is still a leader.

He was everything they wanted him to be

He had opposition, 10:26-27

The public deliverance, 11:1-11

This “saber rattling” had gone on for sometime, 12:12, cf. 8

Israel wanted to be delivered by a king “like the rest of the nations.”

Samuel delivered them “just fine,” 1 Sam

The threats of Nahash, 11:1-3

The response of Saul, 4-11

The Spirit's power, 6

Israel is delivered not by a king, but by the Spirit's power on a king.

Saul's mustering, 7-8

7c great national unity

Saul's message, 9-10

Saul's methods, 11

The public installation, 11:12-15

So What?

God blessed Israel in her rebellion

Victory, 11:11

Unity, 11:7c, 15a

Celebration, 11:15b

Temporal blessings and victories aren't necessarily a sign of God's approval, only his mercy.

God saves and delivers Israel in spite of her rebellion, 11:13.