



The King They Demanded, The Choice We Face

1 Samuel 10:17-12:25



The Rejection (1 Sam 10)

Israel rejects God as their direct King.

"We want to be like all the nations."

The high cost of conformity.



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Saul is publicly chosen but is found hiding among the equipment.

He is not driven by ambition.

He wisely "holds his peace" against his critics.



The King's Test (1 Sam 11)

Ammonites threatened Jabesh-gilead .

Spirit-led Saul gathers his army, then leads the army to total victory

Saul is humble in victory demonstrating his worth, leading to the kingdom's renewal at Gilgal.



The Confrontation (1 Sam 12)

Samuel's testimony

Samuel confronts the nation's sin: "You rejected your King."

God sends a miraculous sign (thunder and rain) to confirm the seriousness of their sin.

The people recognize their wrongdoing.



The Ultimate Choice (1 Sam 12:24-25)

"Only fear the LORD, and serve Him in truth with all your heart; for consider what great things He has done for you.

But if you still do wickedly, you shall be consumed, both you and your king."



The Perfect King (Application)

We, too, reject God and chase "empty things" that cannot save.

God, in His faithfulness, provides a perfect King who will not fail: Jesus Christ.

The choice remains: Will you trust the King who gave His life for you?