

God Sovereignly Raises Up Leaders

(1st and 2nd Samuel)

Wednesday, March 30

1. God Raised Up Samuel (1 Samuel 1-7) The Transition to Kingship

- A. The Eli and Samuel Narratives (Chapters 1-3)
- B. The Ark of the Covenant Narrative (Chapters 4-7)

2. God Raised Up Saul (1 Samuel 8-15) The Tragedy of Kingship

A. The Rise of Saul Narrative (Chapters 8-11)

- 1) Samuel issues a warning. Israel asked for the right thing with a wrong motive (8)
- 2) Saul had a great beginning (9-11)

- a) He came from a wealthy family (9:1)*
- b) He was physically impressive (9:2)*
- c) He was faithful in little things (9:3-4)*
- d) He was sensitive to his parents (9:5)*
- e) He was humble (9:21)*
- f) He had a new heart (10:9)*
- g) He had God's power (10:10)*
- h) He had popularity (10:26)*
- i) He had skills as a leaders (11)*

B. The Decline of Saul Narrative (Chapters 12-15)

- 1) Samuel issues a warning (12)
- 2) Saul had a tragic ending (13-15)
 - a) Sin of Impatience (13)*
 - b) Sin of Jealousy (14)*
 - c) Sin of Disobedience (15)*

3. God Raised Up David (1 Samuel 16-2nd Samuel 24) The Triumph and Trouble of Kingship

- A. The Rise of David Narrative (Chapters 16-2 Samuel 10)
- B. The Decline of David Narrative (Chapters 11-24)