

God Sovereignly Raises Up Leaders

(1st and 2nd Samuel)

Sunday, April 3rd

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

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

A. The Rise of Saul's Leadership (Chapters 8-11)

B. The Decline of Saul's Leadership (Chapters 12-15)

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

A. The Rise of David's Leadership (Chapters 16-2 Samuel 10) The Triumph

1. Preparation for leadership (chs 16-31)

a. The Leader's Anointing (16)

b. The Leader's Ability (17)

c. The Leader's Adversary (18-31)

1) The Leader's Friend (18-20) David is in the royal court

2) The Leader's Enemy (21-31) David is in the wilderness

a) We must Depend on God (21-22)

b) We must Seek God's Face (23:1-13)

c) We must Trust God's Providence (23:14-29)

d. The Leader's Responses

1) To our enemies (24-26)

a) Not to retaliate against our superiors (24)

b) Not to seek revenge against our subordinates (25)

c) To show love to our superiors (26)

2) To our crises (27-31) David and Saul are contrasted for the last time

a) How to respond to crises (30)

b) How not to respond to crises (31)

2. Execution of Leadership (2 Samuel 1-10)

a. David reigns over Judah (1-4)

1) God exalts those who forgive their enemies (1:1-16)

2) God exalts those who love their enemies (1:1-27)

3) God exalts those who let God exalt them (2-4)

b. David reigns over all of Israel (5-10)

B. The Decline of David's Leadership (Chapters 11-24) The Trouble