

## Unit 3, Lesson 11, I Samuel, Part I, 1-17

**DAILY READINGS:**

- Day 1: I Sam.1,2,3**
- Day 2: I Sam.4,5,6**
- Day 3: I Sam.7,8,9**
- Day 4: I Sam.10,11**
- Day 5: I Sam. 12,13**
- Day 6: I Sam. 14,15**
- Day 7: I Sam. 16,17**

**INTRO, I SAMUEL**

Originally I and II Samuel were one book. “Samuel”, “asked of God.” Other versions refer to 4 books of kings (I S/II S/IK/IIK). Actually, it breaks up the story of David artificially to divide Samuel. (We will continue on to II Samuel 5 where he is anointed king of all Israel). I Samuel is the story of Samuel, Saul, David. II Samuel finishes the story of David. The author: I Chronicles 29:29 lists 3 possibilities. I Sam 25:1 shows that Samuel did not write it all. Nor is all of “Samuel” concerning the man Samuel. But recall it was originally one book, and the tradition seems to be to give a book a name based on where it begins. (Exodus, Numbers, e.g.)

As to the time of I Samuel: Birth of Samuel is c.1105. Death of Saul, c. 1011 BC. Hence, 94 years. Time of II Samuel: Reign of David in Hebron, 1011-1004 BC. In Jerusalem, 1004-971 BC. A Total of 40 years. Setting: The land of **Canaan** during the end days of the judges, and first days of the kings, of **Israel**, whose name will now replace the son of Ham. Divisions: **I Samuel** has 3 parts: 1) Samuel (1-7) 2) Saul (8-15) and 3) Saul and David (16-31). **II Samuel** also has 3 parts, all concerning King David: 1) His triumphs (1-10) 2) His transgression (11) and 3) His troubles (12-24)

**Christ** of Samuel: Rich typology. **Samuel** is prophet, priest, and ruler (judge). Brings in new age. **David** is born in Bethlehem, is a shepherd, is King of Israel. Anointed king, forerunner of the Messianic King. His Psalms breathe the very words of the Messiah (22, e.g.) Jesus is the “seed of

David.” and “the Root and the Offspring of David.” David wants to build a house for God. God wants to build David’s house into the Messiah’s. Promised eternal kingdom, throne, and seed, as was Jesus (Luke 1:32-33).

(For intro to I Chronicles, see Lesson 12)

**QUESTIONS, I SAMUEL 1-17**

1. Who are the main characters as the story opens?(1:1-3) \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. Through what process did Samuel come into the world? ( 1 ) \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. How were children “given to the Lord”? (1:11,24) \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. How does Hannah express her gratitude? (2:1-10) \_\_\_\_\_
5. Describe the character of Eli. ( 2:22-26,3:13) \_\_\_\_\_  
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6. What was the message received by Samuel? ( 3:10-18) \_\_\_\_\_
7. What was, and what should have been, the concern of the elders of Israel?(4:1-3) \_\_\_\_\_  
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8. What solution is proposed for their problems, and how did it work?(4:3-10) \_\_\_\_\_  
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9. Why was “Ichabod” so named?(4:21) \_\_\_\_\_  
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10. Who was Dagon and what was his fate? (5) \_\_\_\_\_  
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11. What advice was given to the Philistines as to how to get rid of the ark?(6:1-9) \_\_\_\_\_  
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12. What happened to the men of Beth Shemesh and why? ( 6 : 1 7 - 2 1 ) \_\_\_\_\_  
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<p>13. What repentance did Samuel ask for and receive from Israel? (7:3-6) _____</p>	<p>29. What kind of king does Saul seem to be becoming after one year?(13:1-7)_____</p>
<p>14. What immediate result of their repentance? (7:7-14)_____</p>	<p>30. What prompted Saul's disobedience?(13:8-12)_____</p>
<p>15. What does it appear Samuel learned from Eli?(8:1-3)_____</p>	<p>31. What is Samuel's immediate response? (13:13-15)_____</p>
<p>16. What reasons are given for Israel's desire for a king? (8:1-5)_____</p>	<p>32. Why did only Saul and Jonathan have weapons?(13:19-23)_____</p>
<p>17. What was really going on here?(8:6-9)_____</p>	<p>33. What heroic deed did Jonathan and company perform?(14:1-14)_____</p>
<p>18. What warning is issued to Israel?(8:10-18) _____</p>	<p>34. What did Jonathan do not knowing his father had forbidden it?(14:24-28) _____</p>
<p>19. What is Israel's response to the warning? (8:19-22)_____</p>	<p>35. What was Jonathan's opinion of his father and the "oath"? (14:29-30)_____</p>
<p>20. Describe Saul's character as we first meet him. (note that this is in chapter 9. In Acts chapter 9 another SAUL is introduced!)(9:2,5-7)_____</p>	<p>36. What punishment was given to Israel for "eating with the blood"? (14:31-35) _____</p>
<p>21. Why was Saul so shocked at Samuel's words?(9:21)_____</p>	<p>37. When God would not answer, what did Saul think was the reason?(14:36-46) _____</p>
<p>22. How did Saul receive "another" heart, and why?(10:1-13)_____</p>	<p>38. How does Saul next disobey?(15:1-8) _____</p>
<p>23. How was the anointing of Saul a bitter-sweet episode?(10:17-24)_____</p>	<p>39. How does Saul try to justify his sin?(15:13, 15, 20-21)_____</p>
<p>24. What else do we learn about Saul here? (10:21-24)_____</p>	<p>40. But does he know he is wrong?(15:24-25) _____</p>
<p>25. What was Israel's shocking response to a certain Ammonite?(11:1-4)_____</p>	<p>41. How does Samuel finish God's work? (15:26-35)_____</p>
<p>26. How does Saul initially respond to God's Spirit? (11:5-7)_____</p>	<p>42. Describe the process of selecting David. (16:4-12)_____</p>
<p>27. What did Israel do all the next day?(11:11) _____</p>	<p>43. How did all this affect Saul?(16:14-18)_____</p>
<p>28. What does Samuel get the people to admit about him? (12:1-5) _____ _____ about themselves? (6-25) _____</p>	<p>44. What brought David to the battle?(17:12-19) What was David's motivation for killing Goliath? (17:25-28)_____</p>