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“GOING PUBLIC refers to a private company's initial public offering (IPO), thus becoming a publicly traded and owned entity. Businesses usually go public to raise capital in hopes of expanding; venture capitalists may use IPOs as an exit strategy - that is, a way of getting out of their investment in a company.”

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**I. THE CALL TO SERVE
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PRIVATE DECISION**

1 Samuel 10:1-9

The Spirit of the LORD will come upon you in power, and you will prophesy with them; and you will be changed into a different person.

Once these signs are fulfilled, do whatever your hand finds to do, for God is with you.

1 Samuel 10:6-7

As Saul turned to leave Samuel, God changed Saul's heart, and all these signs were fulfilled that day.

1 Samuel 10:9

**II. THE CALL TO SERVE
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PUBLIC CONFIRMATION**

I Samuel 10:17-24

**III. THE CALL TO SERVE
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I Samuel 10:26

**Saul also went to his home
in Gibeah, accompanied by
valiant men whose hearts
God had touched.**

I Samuel 10:26

**IV. THE CALL TO SERVE
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PUBLIC OPPOSITION**

I Samuel 10:27a

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gifts. But Saul kept silent.**

I Samuel 10:27a

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NIV: "offense" =

**GREEK: "skandalizó" =
properly: "to set a snare"**

**figuratively: "to hinder right conduct or
thought; to cause to stumble" – literally,
"to fall into a trap"**

FROM ROOT: "skandalon" =

**"the trigger of a trap (the mechanism closing a
trap down on an unsuspecting victim)"**

LITTLE WONDER THAT PAUL CALLS THE CROSS AN OFFENCE TO UNBELIEVERS (GALATIANS 5:11) AND PETER CALLS CHRIST THE ROCK OF OFFENCE TO THOSE WHO DO NOT BELIEVE (1 PETER 2:8)

V. THE CALL TO SERVE GOD WILL LIKELY INVOLVE SOME SORT OF PRIVATE DETERMINATION
I Samuel 10:27b

But some troublemakers said, "How can this fellow save us?" They despised him and brought him no gifts. But Saul kept silent.
I Samuel 10:27b

"If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, leave that home or town and shake the dust off your feet. Truly I tell you, it will be more bearable for Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town."
Matthew 10:14-15

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