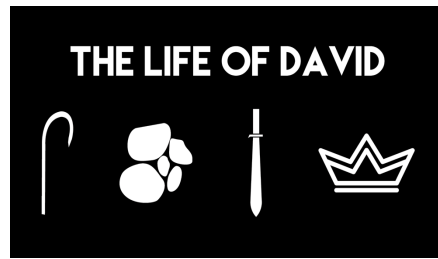


Disciple's Quest

If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine.

John 8:31



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The Necessity of Obedience

I Samuel 7 - 15

Main Idea:

The dividing line between God's blessing and His chastisement is obedience to His Word.

Outline:

I Background: Israel demands a human king

II Saul, Israel's first king

- His positive qualities

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- His advantages

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The collective result: Saul began well

- His failure

III Application

The big takeaway: unrepentant disobedience is extremely costly!

- 1) It invalidates our attempts at worship
- 2) It removes us from the path of God's blessing and places us on the path to His chastisement/judgment

The solution: learn/know God's word and obey it.

Questions for further contemplation and application after the message:

#1 How would you define humility?

Why is humility essential for serving well?

What are the things that tend to undermine humility?

#2 How are humility and mercy related?

#3 Through Samuel, God often spoke directly to Saul. How does He speak (just as clearly) to His people today?

#4 Can Christians know God's will? How?

#5 How would you define unrepentant disobedience? Why is it so dangerous?

#6 Why/how does disobedience to God's Word invalidate our attempts to worship Him?

