No Hiding Allowed

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²¹ Then he brought each family of the tribe of Benjamin before the Lord, and the family of the Matrites was chosen. And finally Saul son of Kish was chosen from among them. But when they looked for him, he had disappeared!

²² So they asked the Lord, "Where is he?"

And the Lord replied, "He is hiding among the baggage."

²³ So they found him and brought him out, and he stood head and shoulders above anyone else.

²⁴ Then Samuel said to all the people, "This is the man the Lord has chosen as your king. No one in all Israel is like him!"

And all the people shouted, "Long live the king!"

Message Points

• God chose Saul for a special purpose. 1 Sam. 10:1

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Question: What has God called you to do?

• God confirmed Saul's call with signs.

- 1) Samuel anoints Saul to be king. 1 Sam. 10:1
- 2) Saul's father's donkey's are found 1 Sam. 10:2
- 3) Saul will meet 3 men going to Bethel who will bring 3 young goats, 3 loaves of bread and wineskin full wine. 1 Sam. 10:3-4
- 4) Saul will meet a band Prophets who will prophesy and the Spirit of the Lord will come upon him. He will become a different person. 1 Sam. 10:5-6
- 5) Saul had a new heart 1 Sam. 10:9
- 6) Lots were cast and revealed Saul's calling among the tribes and his family. 1 Sam. 10:20-21

Question: What signs and or experiences have you had that confirmed God's call on your life?

• God called Saul out from hiding behind the baggage of Insecurity.

Saul insecurity cause him to hid information from his Uncle - 1 Sam 10:13-16 (NLT)

13 When Saul had finished prophesying, he went up to the place of worship. 14 "Where have you been?" Saul's uncle asked him and his servant.

"We were looking for the donkeys," Saul replied, "but we couldn't find them. So we went to Samuel to ask him where they were."

15 "Oh? And what did he say?" his uncle asked.

16 "He told us that the donkeys had already been found," Saul replied. But Saul didn't tell his uncle what Samuel said about the kingdom.

Saul's insecurity cause him to hid from people who needed him. 1 Sam 10:21-24

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Question: What baggage are you hiding behind to avoid God's call?