## Theocracy: Is God Still King? Snake and Super Powers

1 Samuel 11:1-15

#### Some helpful background...

Ammonites Genesis 19:36-38

Jabesh Gilead Judges 19-21

The story... 1 Samuel 11:1-15

# Saul at his best... us at our best!

When we live in <u>humility</u>

When our dependence is not on self but the Spirit

When our lives are marked by grace

## Big story inside this small story

The ultimate snake squasher

The work and purpose of Nahash

Genesis 3:1-6; John 8:44; 10:10; 2 Cor. 4:4; 1 Pet. 5:8-9

Nahash...his ultimate defeat

1 John 3:8; Revelation 20:10; Hebrews 12:1-3

# **Growth Group Questions**

Read 1 Samuel 11 1. Summarize chapter 11 in your own words.

2. Share one thing that stood out to you from John's teaching on Sunday.

3. Saul gave grace to the people by putting no one to death. Share a time that you gave grace to someone when they did not deserve it. What was the outcome?

4. Read the following verses and share how God's grace has impacted your life.

Ephesians 1:7 Hebrews 4:16 Romans 5:1,2

Titus 3:7

5. Though Israel was scared, they feared disobeying God, more than they feared their enemies. Who do you tend to fear more? God or man? Why?

6. The Spirit of God came upon Saul and influenced his decisions and great results were achieved. How have you experienced this in your life? 7. Jesus is our ultimate king. Our hope is in his power and resurrection. How does this truth encourage you today?

8. Close your time together in prayer.

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 \$22,195
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