

**TEXT: 1 Samuel 16**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Rooted is going to summer camp on August 1-5! Fill out the form at [RedeemerChurch.com/Events](http://RedeemerChurch.com/Events) to let us know that your 6th-12th grader is interested in joining us!
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**BIG IDEA: The True King is the Shepherd King**

**PRAYER: Jimmy Glossen - Corem Deo Church - Morganton, NC**

**1 Samuel 16:1-3**

- What is Samuel mourning here?
- What is the state of Samuel and Saul's relationship?
- Did God tell Samuel to go lie?

**1 Samuel 16:4-7**

- Why are the elders in Bethlehem scared of Samuel?
- What did Samuel come to Bethlehem to do?
- What is Samuel's first inclination when he sees Eliab and what does God say to him?

**How does this apply today? How do you see the visible but God sees the heart?**

**1 Samuel 16:10-13**

- Who chose the king?
- What does it mean that David was a man after God's own heart?

**How does David foreshadow Jesus?**

**Further Reading/Discussion**

Ezekiel 34:6,11-12

Mark 6:34

John 10:11

**Here is the king we need. Israel discovered, under first Saul's and then David's rule, that the king we decide we want, the king we choose for ourselves, is not the right ruler for us. We need someone who will rule humbly. We need someone who will care for wandering sheep; who will die to protect us. We must all choose a king to rule our hearts, our lives and our futures. Naturally, we choose Saul. But God gives us a Shepherd-King, a greater David. Being a Christian is not about *having* to live under Jesus' rule. It is about *getting* to live under his humble reign; about the security and joy of knowing that we have the King we need, chosen by the Lord and given to us. - Tim Chester**

**Samuel had to appoint a king. In a sense it is a task we all have. We must choose who will be king over our lives. Who or what will have our ultimate allegiance? It might be a person. It might be an ideology. It might be material possessions. It might be ourselves—our comfort or power or pride. There might be a number of things competing for our allegiance. But something will rule our hearts. How will we decide? "People look at the outward appearance." We choose what is impressive, shining, powerful, pleasing. It was ever thus. This is symptomatic of human behaviour from the Garden of Eden onwards - Tim Chester**