

## Samuel (Rise of the King) - Lesson 11

### Return to the Lord (1 Samuel 7:1-17)

#### (1) Longing and Genuine Repentance — 1 Samuel 7:1-4

##### 20 Years of Silence

- Ark is present but \_\_\_\_\_ with God was broken (1)
- God's \_\_\_\_\_ returned but repentance did not (2)
- Israel wanted relief without repentance

##### Spiritual Longing

- Longing = \_\_\_\_\_ at work (3)
- Religion cannot replace obedience
- Revival begins when people desire God

##### Chapter Contrast

- Chapter 4: Israel used the \_\_\_\_\_ as a charm (4)
- Chapter 7: Israel wanted the Lord Himself

##### Modern Application

- Israel no longer wanted just \_\_\_\_\_ (5)
- Longing can lead to revival

##### Foreign Gods

- Baal = \_\_\_\_\_, master, owner (6)
- Temptation to trust \_\_\_\_\_ and false security (7)

##### Divided Loyalty

- Israel tried serving \_\_\_\_\_ (8)
- God would not share His throne

##### Why Israel Compromised

- Idolatry promised visible \_\_\_\_\_ (9)
- Offered control and acceptance

##### Idols Today

- Modern idols still \_\_\_\_\_ with God (10)
- Revival requires wholehearted worship

## (2) National Humility — 1 Samuel 7:5-6

### Gathering at Mizpah

- Public repentance replaced \_\_\_\_\_ conviction (11)
- Israel responded collectively

### Samuel the Intercessor

- Trust shifted from the ark to prayer and repentance
- Samuel pictured Christ as mediator

### Water Poured Out

- Symbol of \_\_\_\_\_ before God (12)
- Israel came spiritually \_\_\_\_\_ before God (13)

### Humility Through Fasting

- “We need God more than \_\_\_\_\_ comfort.” (14)

### Honest Confession

- “We have sinned against the Lord.”
- Revival begins with honest confession

## (3) The Lord Fights for the People — 1 Samuel 7:7-11

### Attack During Revival

- Renewal often brings \_\_\_\_\_ (15)
- The enemy opposes returning people

### Crying Out to God

- Israel realized they could not \_\_\_\_\_ themselves (16)
- Samuel prayed on Israel's \_\_\_\_\_ (17)

### Burnt Offering

- Samuel offered a lamb as burnt offering
- Pointed toward substitution and cleansing

### God's Thunder

- Direct \_\_\_\_\_ against Baal (18)
- Battlefield became demonstration of \_\_\_\_\_ power (19)

### Panic in the Enemy Camp

- Philistines became \_\_\_\_\_ (20)
- Israel's relationship with God changed everything

#### **(4) Remembering God's Help — 1 Samuel 7:12**

##### **Memorial Stone**

- Samuel set up a \_\_\_\_\_ monument (21)
- Victory came from the Lord

##### **Meaning of Ebenezer**

- “The Lord has \_\_\_\_\_ us to this point.” (22)
- Reminder of God's faithfulness

##### **Spiritual Forgetfulness**

- Spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ leads to drifting (23)
- Forgetting God creates carelessness

##### **Remembering Faithfulness**

- Christians need “Ebenezer moments”
- Remember God's provision and faithfulness

#### **(5) Turning Point for Israel — 1 Samuel 7:13-14**

##### **National Restoration**

- Philistines subdued and peace returned
- Repentance brought restoration

##### **Philistine Domination**

- Domination was \_\_\_\_\_ (24)
- God restrained Israel's enemies

##### **Samuel's Influence**

- Samuel faithfully led the \_\_\_\_\_ (25)
- Pointed the people back to God

##### **Restored Territory**

- \_\_\_\_\_ language: blessing, peace, protection (26)
- Repentance brought restoration

##### **Peace with Enemies**

- Amorites were historically \_\_\_\_\_ to Israel (27)
- God brought peace and stability

## **(6) Samuel's Faithful Leadership — 1 Samuel 7:15-17**

### **Samuel the Judge**

- Last \_\_\_\_\_ judge of Israel (28)
- Transitional leader before the monarchy

### **Ministry Circuit**

- Samuel regularly \_\_\_\_\_ to key cities (29)
- He actively shepherded the nation

### **Ongoing Responsibilities**

- Teaching truth
- Leading spiritually
- Calling people to obedience
- Interceding before God

## **Answer Key**

1. FELLOWSHIP (Slide 14)
2. PRESENCE (Slide 15)
3. CONVICTION (Slide 16)
4. ARK (Slide 18)
5. RELIEF (Slide 21)
6. LORD (Slide 24)
7. NATURE (Slide 26)
8. BOTH (Slide 29)
9. PROSPERITY (Slide 31)
10. COMPETE (Slide 32)
11. PRIVATE (Slide 37)
12. BROKENNESS (Slide 39)
13. EMPTIED (Slide 40)
14. PHYSICAL (Slide 41)
15. OPPOSITION (Slide 51)
16. SAVE (Slide 53)
17. BEHALF (Slide 54)
18. ATTACK (Slide 58)
19. DIVINE (Slide 59)
20. CONFUSED (Slide 60)
21. STONE (Slide 63)
22. HELPED (Slide 64)
23. AMNESIA (Slide 67)
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25. NATION (Slide 75)
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27. HOSTILE (Slide 78)
28. GREAT (Slide 82)
29. TRAVELED (Slide 83)