



Grades 2–3 • Lesson 75

# Israel's First King

1 Samuel 8:6–7, 10:20–24, 13:5–12, 15:7–9, 15:22

Saul learned the hard way what God wants each of us to do. Cross out all the Zs then write the rest of the letters in the blanks (in order) to find out the message from God's Word.

**ZJZZOZHNZ 14:15 “IF YOU ZLOZVZEZ ME,  
ZYZOZUZ WILL ZKZEZEZP MY  
CZOZMZMZAZNZDZMEZNTZS.”**

\_\_\_\_\_ 14:15 “If you \_\_\_\_\_  
me, \_\_\_\_\_ will \_\_\_\_\_ my  
\_\_\_\_\_.”



Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Memory Verse

Some of the letters are missing from this verse! Match the colors and fill in the blanks.

P	K	V	M
S	B	D	Q
A	E	H	N
R	O	T	F

Psal \_\_\_\_\_ 34:17–18 When  
t\_\_\_\_\_e righ\_\_\_\_\_eous cry for  
\_\_\_\_\_elp, the Lor\_\_\_\_\_ hears  
and deli\_\_\_\_\_ers them  
\_\_\_\_\_ut of all th\_\_\_\_\_ir  
trou\_\_\_\_\_les. The Lo\_\_\_\_\_d  
is nea\_\_\_\_\_ to the  
bro\_\_\_\_\_enhea\_\_\_\_\_ted and  
s\_\_\_\_\_ves the cru\_\_\_\_\_hed  
in s\_\_\_\_\_irit.

## **What You Heard** *In the Word*

- The Israelites insisted on having a king, even after Samuel warned them that their kings would make them servants and take their best crops and animals. Samuel appointed Saul to be Israel's first king.
- Saul disobeyed God when he offered a sacrifice and when he spared the king and the animals of the Amalekites. For his disobedience, God rejected him as king and sent a harmful spirit to trouble him.

## **OutWord** *For Family Discussion*

Suppose you are talking to your friends, and they say they don't understand why God is so strict. What happened to God's love? After all, don't we obey him most of the time? Don't we do most of what he asks us? **We really aren't that bad! What would you say?**

*I guess we don't look that bad compared to some people, but we can't compare ourselves with other people. We are ALL sinners. The Bible makes that clear. And God hates ALL sin. God is perfect, holy, just, and good. He wants us to obey his commands. In fact, the Bible says if we love him, we will obey his commands. But we can't keep all his commands perfectly. That's why he sent his Son. Jesus lived a perfect life, without any sin, and took the punishment of sinners on himself so that whoever believes in him would have eternal life. God has shown his mercy and love toward us through Jesus.*



## **Justin & Jessie**

"Take a look outside," said Mom.

Emily and Jessie looked at each other and gulped. They all three went outdoors and stopped at the garbage can.

"Oh no!" Jessie exclaimed.



Did Jessie and Emily have something to do with this mess? Find out how it happened in "Obedience & Stinky Garbage."

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