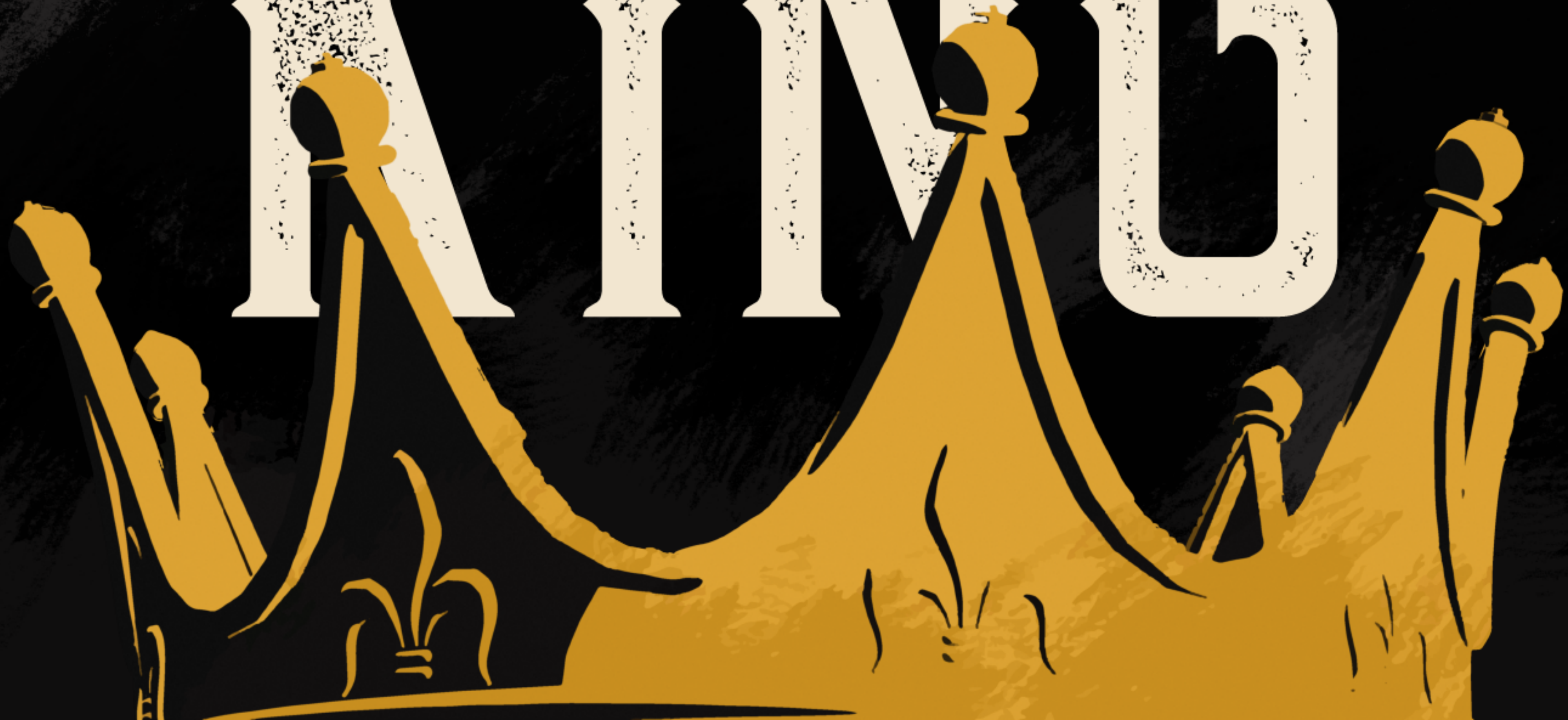


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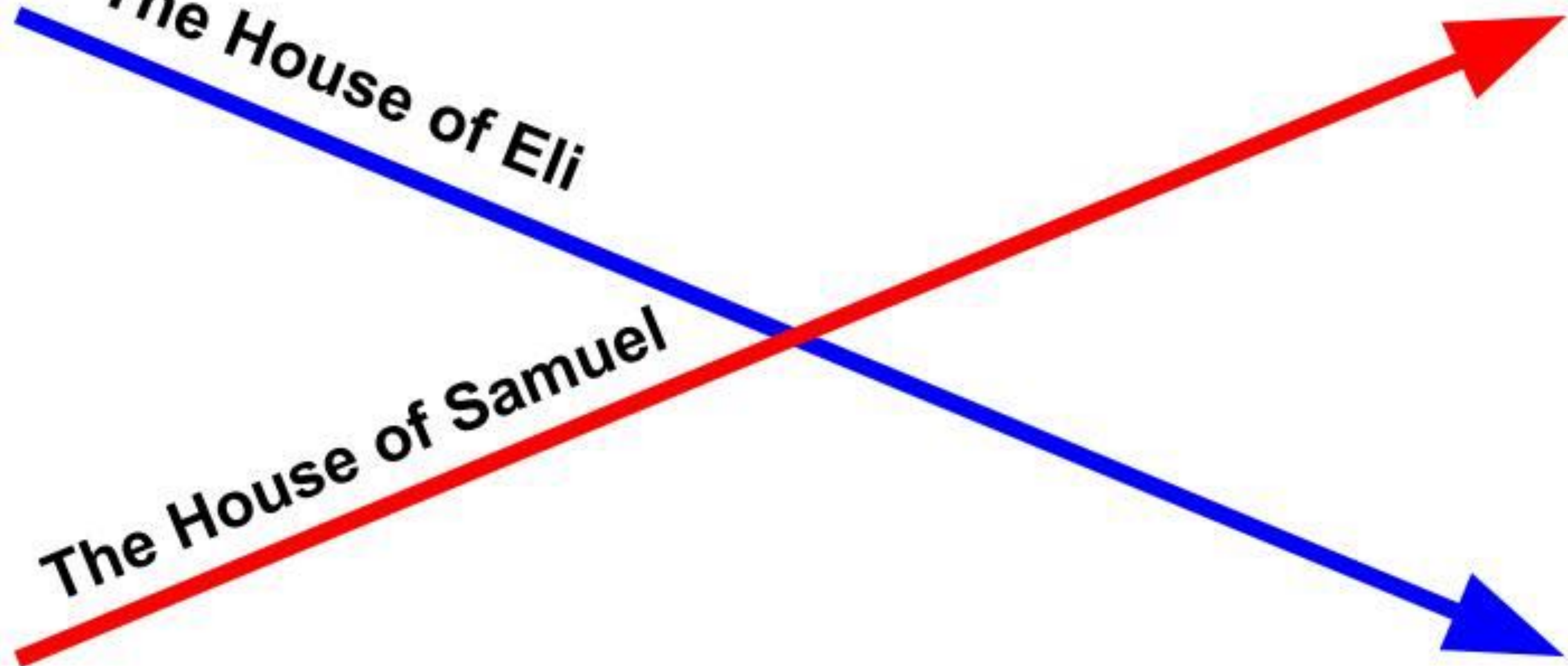


# **1 Samuel 2:11-36**

*A Tale of Two Families*

**The House of Eli**

**The House of Samuel**



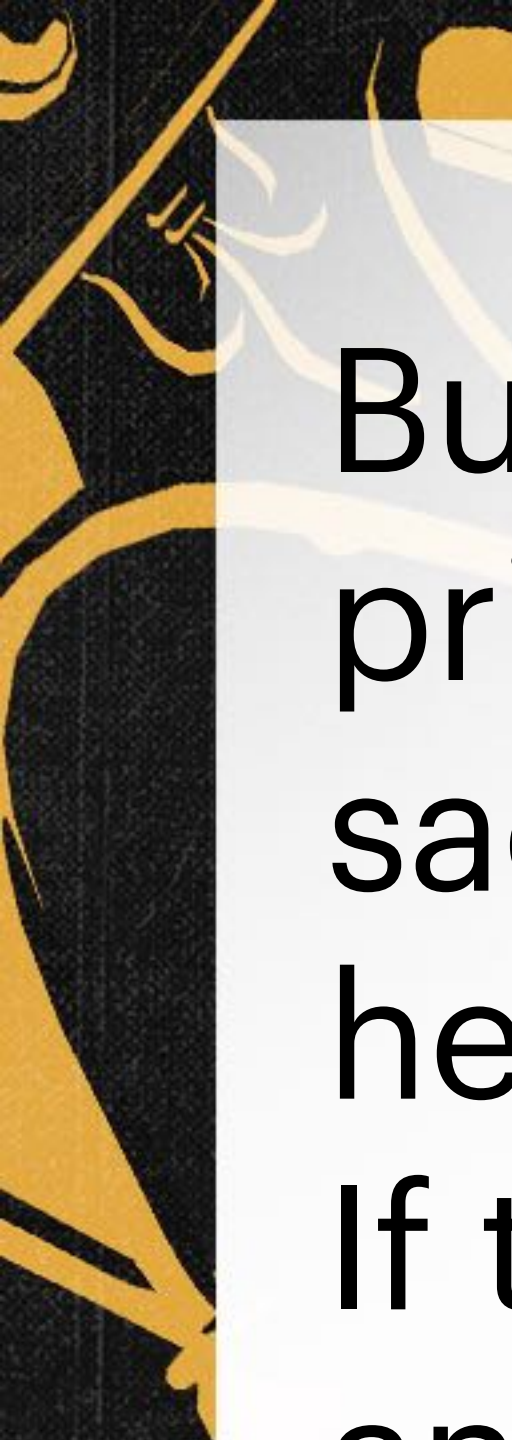


## **1 Samuel 2:11-36, 3:1**

Then Elkanah went home to Ramah, but **the boy ministered before the Lord under Eli the priest.**

Eli's sons were wicked men; they had no regard for the LORD. Now it was the practice of the priests with the people that whenever anyone offered a sacrifice and while the meat was being boiled, the servant of the priest would come with a three-pronged fork in his hand. He would plunge it into the pan or kettle or caldron or pot, and the priest would take for himself whatever the fork brought up. This is how they treated all the Israelites who came to Shiloh...

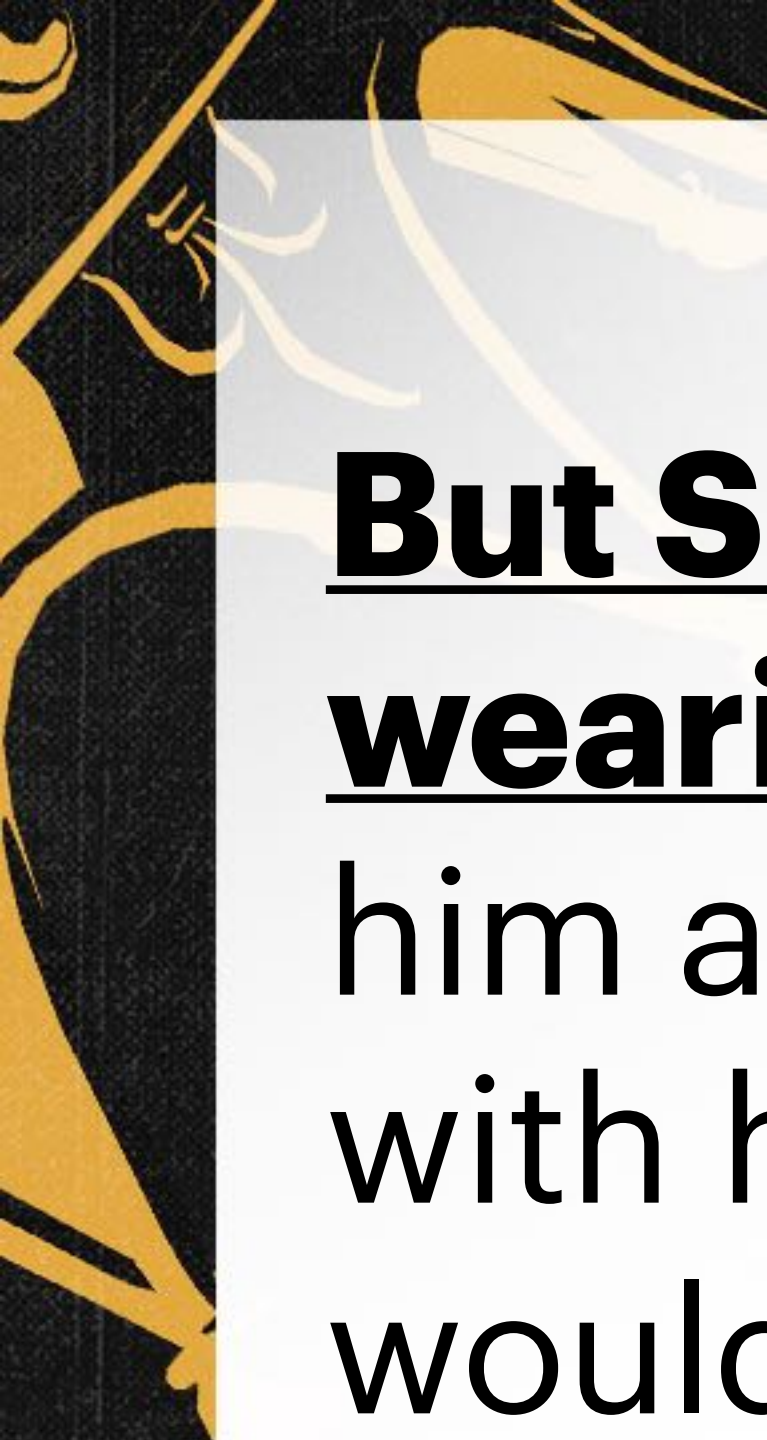




But even before the fat was burned, the servant of the priest would come and say to the man who was sacrificing, "Give the priest some meat to roast; he won't accept boiled meat from you, but only raw." If the man said to him, "Let the fat be burned up first, and then take whatever you want," the servant would then answer, "No, hand it over now; if you don't, I'll take it by force."

This sin of the young men was very great in the Lord's sight, for they were treating the Lord's offering with contempt.





**But Samuel was ministering before the Lord--a boy wearing a linen ephod.** Each year his mother made him a little robe and took it to him when she went up with her husband to offer the annual sacrifice. Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, saying, "May the Lord give you children by this woman to take the place of the one she prayed for and gave to the Lord." Then they would go home. And the Lord was gracious to Hannah; she conceived and gave birth to three sons and two daughters.



**Meanwhile, the boy Samuel grew up in the presence of the Lord.** Now Eli, who was very old, heard about everything his sons were doing to all Israel and how they slept with the women who served at the entrance to the Tent of Meeting. So he said to them, "Why do you do such things? I hear from all the people about these wicked deeds of yours. No, my sons; it is not a good report that I hear spreading among the Lord's people. **If a man sins against another man, God may mediate for him; but if a man sins against the LORD, who will intercede for him?"**





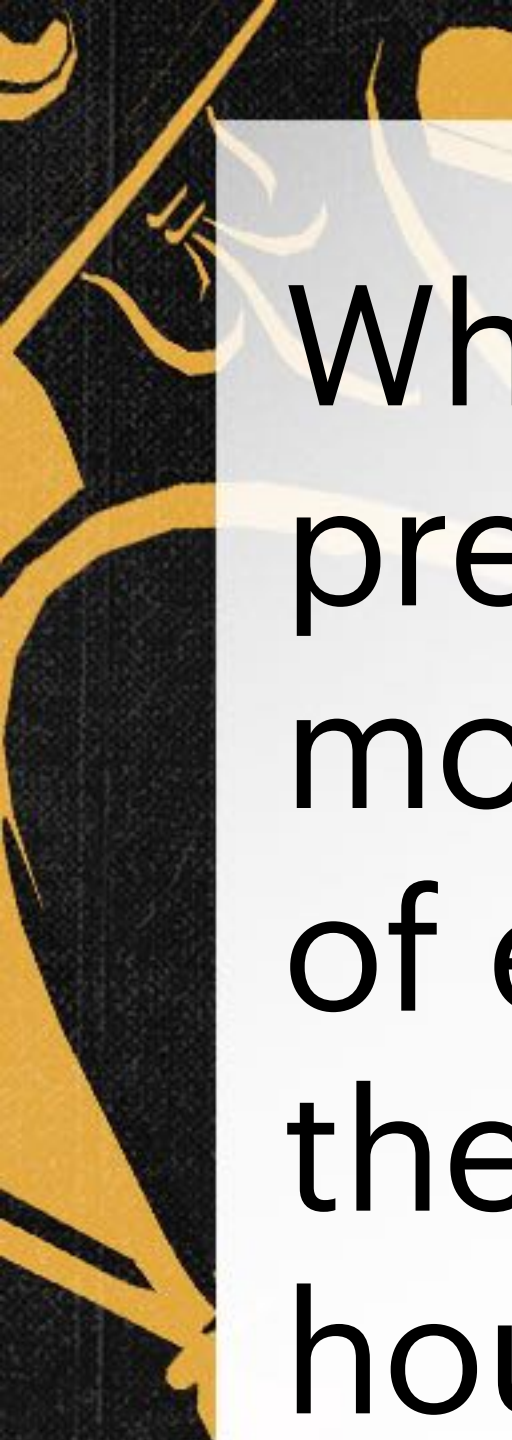
His sons, however, did not listen to their father's rebuke, for it was the Lord's will to put them to death.

**And the boy Samuel continued to grow in stature and in favor with the Lord and with men.**

Now a man of God came to Eli and said to him, "This is what the Lord says: 'Did I not clearly reveal myself to your father's house when they were in Egypt under Pharaoh? I chose your father out of all the tribes of Israel to be my priest, to go up to my altar, to burn incense, and to wear an ephod in my presence.

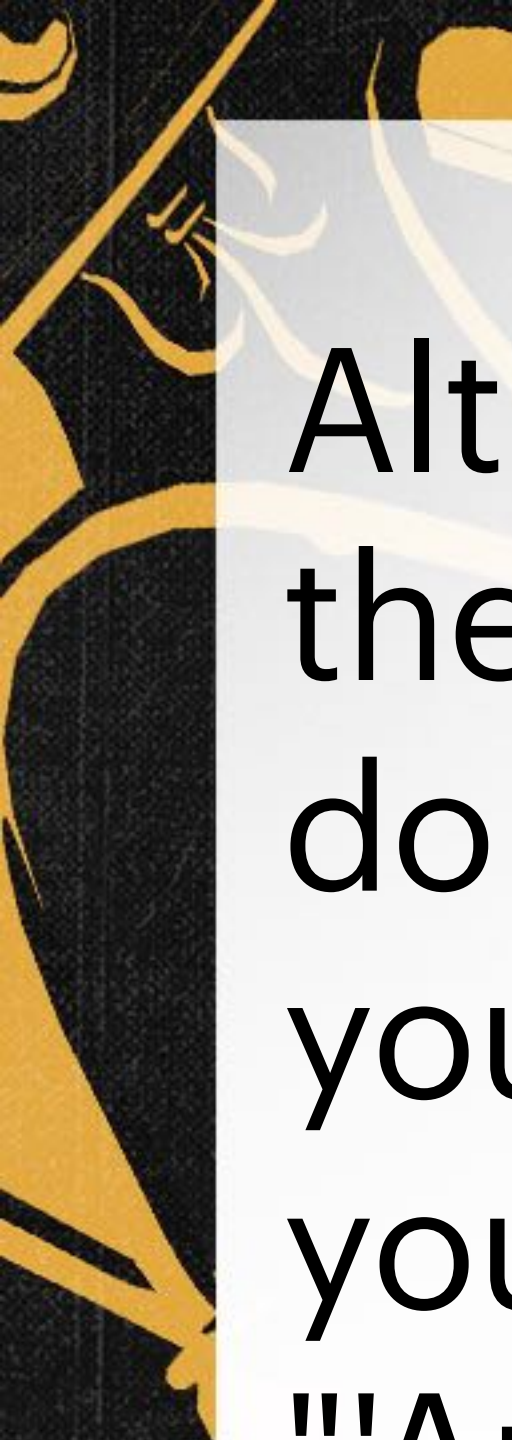
I also gave your father's house all the offerings made with fire by the Israelites.





Why do you scorn my sacrifice and offering that I prescribed for my dwelling? Why do you honor your sons more than me by fattening yourselves on the choice parts of every offering made by my people Israel?' "Therefore the Lord, the God of Israel, declares: 'I promised that your house and your father's house would minister before me forever.' But now the Lord declares: 'Far be it from me! Those who honor me I will honor, but those who despise me will be disdained. The time is coming when I will cut short your strength and the strength of your father's house, so that there will not be an old man in your family line and you will see distress in my dwelling.

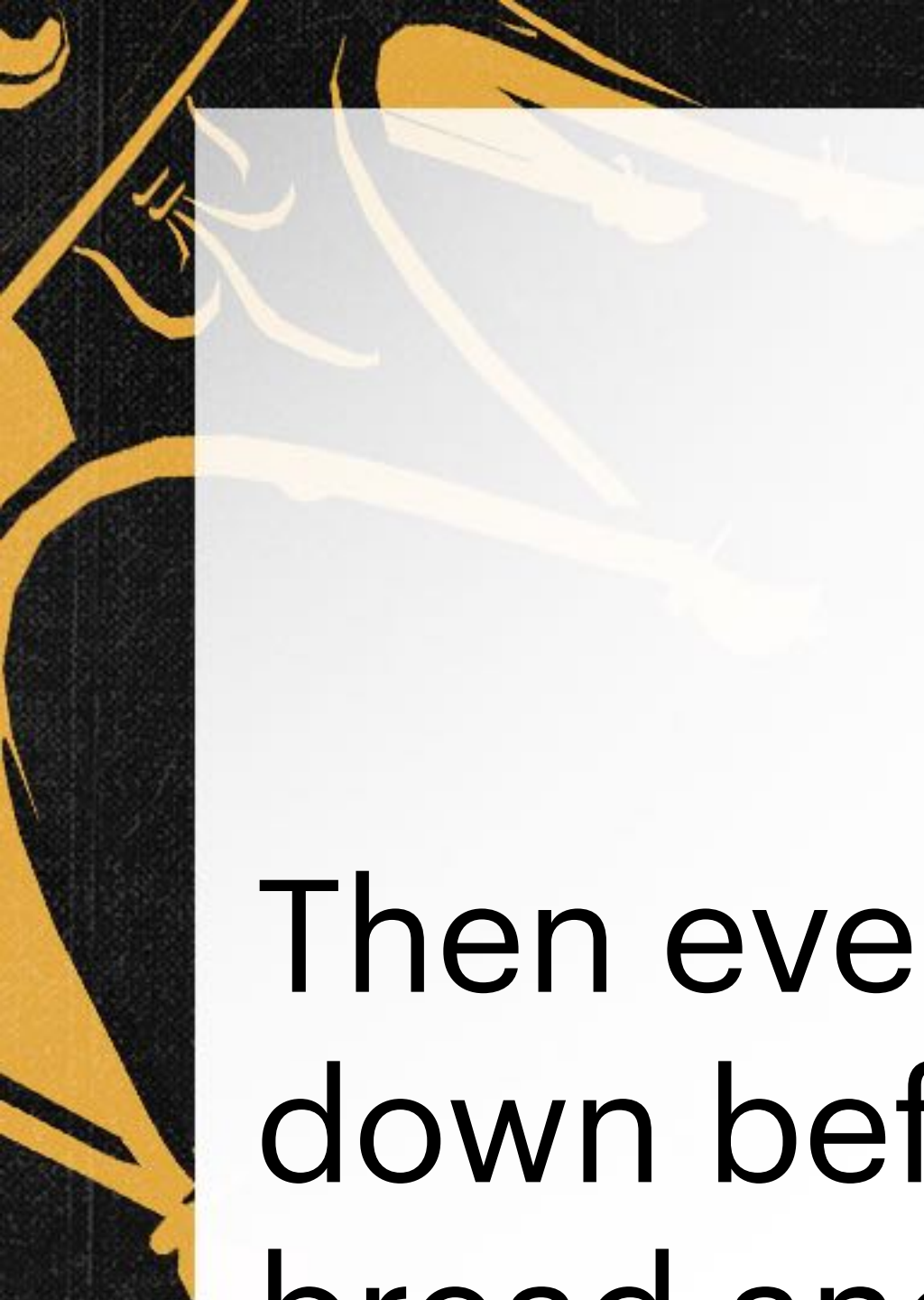




Although good will be done to Israel, in your family line there will never be an old man. Every one of you that I do not cut off from my altar will be spared only to blind your eyes with tears and to grieve your heart, and all your descendants will die in the prime of life.

"And what happens to your two sons, Hophni and Phinehas, will be a sign to you--they will both die on the same day. I will raise up for myself a faithful priest, who will do according to what is in my heart and mind. I will firmly establish his house, and he will minister before my anointed one always.





Then everyone left in your family line will come and bow down before him for a piece of silver and a crust of bread and plead, "Appoint me to some priestly office so I can have food to eat."'"

**The boy Samuel ministered before the Lord under Eli.**





**God Is Holy  
& Must Be Honored**





## **Leviticus 10:3**

"Among those who approach me I will show myself holy; in the sight of all the people I will be honored."





## **Numbers 25:11**

Phinehas son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron, the priest, has turned my anger away from the Israelites; for he was as zealous as I am for my honor among them, so that in my zeal I did not put an end to them.





## **1 Peter 4:17**

For it is time for judgment to begin with the family of God; and if it begins with us, what will the outcome be for those who do not obey the gospel of God.





## **1 Samuel 1:30**

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**God Is Always Working**









## **1 Samuel 2:25**

If a man sins against another man, God may mediate for him; but if a man sins against the LORD, who will intercede for him?"





## **Job 16:19-21**

Even now my witness is in heaven; my advocate is on high. My intercessor is my friend as my eyes pour out tears to God on behalf of a man he pleads with God as a man pleads for his friend.



# Jesus the True & Better Samuel

<b>Samuel (1 Sam)</b>	<b>Jesus (Luke)</b>
Devout parents went annually to sacrifice at Tabernacle (1:3, 7)	Devout parents went annually to the Passover in Jerusalem (1:41)
Supernaturally conceived (1:2-20)	Supernatural virgin birth (1:26-37)
Faithful, praying, trusting mother sings a prophecy (1:10-16; 2:1-10)	Faithful, praying, trusting mother sings a prophecy (1:38-55)
Dedicated to God; given by parents to the priest at the Tabernacle (1:24-28)	Presented by parents at the Temple to be consecrated to the Lord (2:22-24)
Parents blessed by Eli (1:17; 2:20)	Parents blessed by Simeon (2:23-32)
As boy, ministered before Lord in the tabernacle with priest (2:18-19; 3:1)	As boy, in temple, with priests, about his Father's business (2:41-49)
...the boy Samuel grew up in the presence of the Lord. (2:21)	...the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him. (2:40)

And the boy Samuel continued to grow

And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature



<b>Samuel (1 Sam)</b>	<b>Jesus (Luke)</b>
And the boy Samuel continued to grow in stature and in favor with the Lord and with men. (2:26)	And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men. (2:52)
Samuel was troubled, and he cried out to the Lord all that night. (15:11)	Jesus went out ... and spent the night praying to God. (6:12)
Anointed kings Saul & David (10:1; 16:13). Announced fall of the houses of Eli & Saul (3:1-18; 13:13-14).	Simeon: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, ..." (2:34-35)
prophet (3:19-21)	Prophet (Dt 18:15, 17; Acts 3:22; 7:37)
judge (7:15)	Judge (Jn 5:22-23; 2 Cor 5:10...)
priest (Levite from Ephraim), the only one with the right sacrifice (13:9-14)	Priest (Heb 2:9; 4:14-16; 7:11-28)



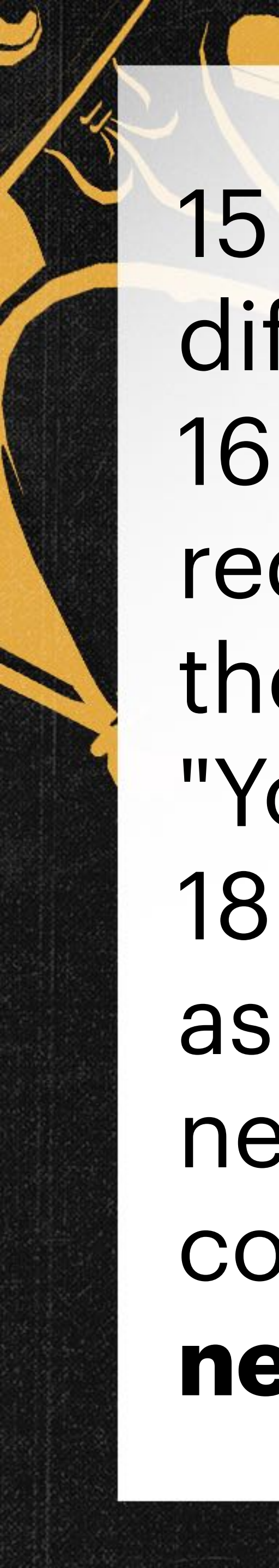
**Jesus' Intercession  
Rescues You**



## **Hebrews 7:11-28**


So if the priesthood of Levi, on which the law was based, could have achieved perfection, why was there still need to establish a different priesthood, with a priest in the order of Melchizedek instead of the order of Levi and Aaron? 12 And if the priesthood is changed, the law must also be changed to permit it. 13 For the priest we are talking about belongs to a different tribe, whose members have never served at the altar as priests. 14 What I mean is, our Lord came from the tribe of Judah, and Moses never mentioned priests coming from that tribe.





15 This change has been made very clear since a different priest, who is like Melchizedek, has appeared. 16 Jesus became a priest, not by meeting the physical requirement of belonging to the tribe of Levi, but by the power of an indestructible life. 17 For it is declared: "You are a priest forever in the order of Melchizedek." 18 Yes, the old regulation about the priesthood was set aside because it was weak and useless. 19 For the law never made anything perfect. But now we have confidence in a better hope, **through which we draw near to God.**






20 This new system was established with a solemn oath. Aaron's descendants became priests without such an oath, 21 but there was an oath regarding Jesus. For God said to him, "The Lord has taken an oath and will not break his vow: 'You are a priest forever.'"

22 Because of this oath, Jesus is the one who guarantees this better covenant with God. 23 There were many priests under the old system, for death prevented them from remaining in office. 24 But because Jesus lives forever, his priesthood lasts forever. 25 Therefore he is able, once and forever, to save those who come to God through him. **He lives forever to intercede with God on their behalf.**





26 He is the kind of high priest we need because he is holy and blameless, unstained by sin. He has been set apart from sinners and has been given the **highest place of honor** in heaven. 27 Unlike those other high priests, he does not need to offer sacrifices every day. They did this for their own sins first and then for the sins of the people. But Jesus did this once for all when he offered himself as the sacrifice for the people's sins. 28 The law appointed high priests who were limited by human weakness. But after the law was given, God appointed his Son with an oath, and his Son has been made the perfect High Priest forever.





**Will you honor him?**



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