### WARNING SIGNS THE LIFE OF KING SAUL IN 1 SAMUEL

### Delight your heart in God, and you will live a life that delights Him.

### Command Given (1 Samuel 15:1-3)

\*Samuel's authority established; \*Background: Who are the Amalekites? \*The command to Saul.



#### **Command Response and Violation (1 Samuel 15:4-9)**

\*Saul starts well; \*Saul's intent to disobey God; \*Partial obedience.

Warning Sign #1=Saul doesn't listen to God; Lesson=Pay attention to God, and obey Him fully.



## **Confrontations and Excuses (1 Samuel 15:10-21)**

### \*God's regret;

Warning Sign #2=Saul disobeys God, and allows for separation between the Lord and himself; Lesson=Don't allow disobedience to God to separate you from Him.



# **Confrontations and Excuses (1 Samuel 15:10-21)**

\*A monument is built;

Warning Sign #3=Saul hoards honor and attention for himself; Lesson=Give all the glory to God.

\*Saul's inaccurate proclamation; blame-shifting!; \*Saul holds the voice of the people higher than God's.

# **Confrontations and Excuses (1 Samuel 15:10-21)**

\*Saul holds the voice of the people higher than God's.

Warning Sign #4=Saul places other voices and influences above God's; Lesson=Hold God's voice in highest place above all others.

\*Contrast between Saul and David.



### Samuel's Response (1 Samuel 15:22-23)

\*Weighty finality: origin and critical nature; \*God wants our heart; \*The best sacrifice; \*Saul rejected as king.

Warning Sign #5=Saul offers sacrifices, but he remains disobedient; Lesson=Surrender your whole heart.

#### **Consequences and Resolution (1 Samuel 15:24-33)**

\*Saul's feeble attempt; \*Too late for Saul; \*Saul's desperate plea.

Warning Sign #6=Saul's pride keeps him from being truly sorry; Lesson=Seek God's glory first.



## **Conclusion: Separation, Grief, and Regret (1 Samuel 15:34-35)**

\*A tragic end; \*Permanent status of Saul's exile from God's favor; \*God's sorrow.



### **Delighting Your Heart in God means...**

- 1. Paying attention to what God is saying;
- 2. Not allowing disobedience to separate;
- 3. Giving glory to God;
- 4. Prohibiting other voices to rule;

### **Delighting Your Heart in God means...**

5. Surrendering your whole heart to God;

6. Seeking God's glory.



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