

1 Samuel

66 Books in 52 Weeks

(A Book-by-Book Overview of the Bible)

Summary & Structure

1 SAMUEL

ORDER IN OLD TESTAMENT

9

NUMBER OF CHAPTERS

31

TYPE

HISTORY



OVERVIEW

The Book of 1 Samuel records Israel's history from the birth of the prophet Samuel up through David's trials before he became king. It ends with the death of King Saul, which opens the door for David to ascend to the throne. The biography of Samuel, story of David and Goliath, and the biography of King Saul are included.



WRITTEN
900 BC



TIME PERIOD COVERED
1150 BC-1000 BC



AUTHOR
Samuel, Nathan, Gad,
and an unknown
scribe who served as
compiler

Key Verse

But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." -1 Samuel 16:7

Outline of the Book

_____ (Chapters 1-8)

The Birth of Samuel (1 Samuel 1)

Hannah's Prophetic Prayer (1 Samuel 2:1-11)

Eli's Evil Sons (1 Samuel 2:12-36)

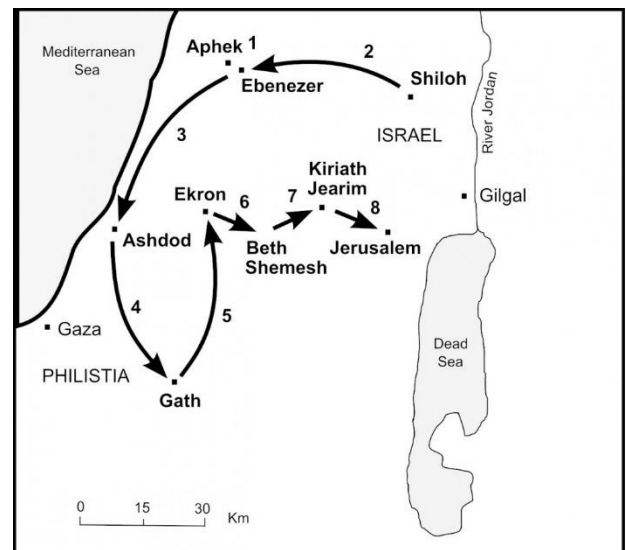
God Calls Samuel (1 Samuel 3)

Judgment for Eli and His Sons (1 Samuel 4)

The Journey of the Ark (1 Samuel 5-6)

Samuel Steps in as Leader of Israel (1 Samuel 7)

Israel Asks for a King (1 Samuel 8)



_____ (Chapters 9-15)

Saul is Chosen as King (1 Samuel 9)

Saul is Anointed as King (1 Samuel 10)

Saul Reigns as King (1 Samuel 11-12)

Samuel's Farewell Speech (1 Samuel 12)

Saul is Rejected as King (1 Samuel 13-15)

_____ (Chapters 16-31)

David is Anointed (1 Samuel 16)

David is Trained (1 Samuel 17-18)

Goliath

Saul's Jealousy

David is Hunted (1 Samuel 19-31)

Covenant with Jonathan (1 Samuel 20:14-17)

David Gathers Some Fighting Men (1 Samuel 22:2)

David Spares Saul's Life Twice (1 Samuel 24 & 26)

Samuel Dies (1 Samuel 25)

David Hides Among the Philistines (1 Samuel 27)

Saul Consults a Medium (1 Samuel 28)

David Destroys the Amalekites (1 Samuel 30)

Saul Dies (1 Samuel 31)

Lessons from 1 Samuel

God cares about our _____.

God _____ when we least expect it.

Sometimes God judges us by giving us our own _____.

Partial obedience is really _____.

God ultimately looks at the _____.