

## OT Term 2: Week 1

Samuel's birth and call; Saul anointed king; David at Court.

1 Samuel 1 - 20

Psalms 8, 11, 12, 19, 23, 29, 31, 59.

1 Samuel 1

1-3 Elkanah, an Ephraimite, with his two wives, goes to Shiloh for his yearly worship and sacrifices.

4-8 He favours Hannah, who is barren and provoked by Peninnah.

9-11 Greatly distressed, Hannah prays for a son.

12-18 Eli, the priest, initially misunderstands her; then blesses her.

19-20 Hannah has Samuel [Heb. asked of God] at Ramah.

21-28 When he is weaned, she dedicates him to the Lord at Shiloh as she had vowed.

1 Samuel 2

1-10 Hannah's prophetic song of thanks.

11 Elkanah & Hannah return to Ramah; Samuel stays with Eli.

12-17 The sins of Eli's sons.

18-21 Hannah has more children, by God's blessing.

22-26 Eli reprimands his sons; Samuel grows.

27-36 Prophecy of downfall of Eli's house and his sons' death.

1 Samuel 3

1-9 Samuel hears the Lord calling him three times.

10-14 He answers; the Lord tells of the judgment on Eli's house.

15-18 After persuasion, Samuel tells Eli the vision.

19-21 Samuel grows; recognized as a prophet in Israel.

1 Samuel 4

1-5 After the Israelites are defeated by the Philistines at Ebenezer, they bring the Ark from Shiloh to the camp.

6-11 Terrified, the Philistines again defeat Israel and capture the Ark; the sons of Eli are killed.

12-18 On hearing the outcome, Eli drops dead. He judged Israel for 40 years.

19-22 At this, Phinehas' wife also dies while giving birth to Ichabod [Heb. there is no glory].

1 Samuel 5

1-5 The Philistines take the Ark to the temple of Dagon in Ashdod, where Dagon is struck down and the people get hemorrhoids.

6-12 They move it but wherever they take it the Ark brings affliction and hemorrhoids - in Ashdod, Gath and Ekron.

1 Samuel 6

1-9 After 7 months, the Philistines ask how to return the Ark

10-15 They set it on a new cart, drawn by 2 cows with an offering of golden

hemorrhoids and mice and let it go to Beth-shemesh.

16-18 The offerings of the five Philistines lords.

19-20 The inhabitants of Beth-shemesh are struck down for looking in the Ark.

21 They want it taken to Kiriath-jearim.

1 Samuel 7

1-2 The Ark is kept at the house of Abinadab at Kiriath-jearim for 20 years.

3-6 The Israelites, under Samuel's direction repent at Mizpah.

7-12 Samuel prays and offers sacrifices, the Lord panics the Philistines with thunder and they are driven back.

13-14 Philistines are subdued; Israelite cities are recovered.

15-17 Samuel judges Israel, on a circuit from Bethel, Gilgal and Mizpah, with his home at Ramah.

1 Samuel 8

1-3 An old man, Samuel appoints his corrupt sons as judges.

4-9 The elders ask for a king.

10-18 Samuel explains to the people the cost of having a king.

19-22 They still insist; God permits it.

1 Samuel 9

1-4 Saul, the son of Kish, a Benjaminite, searches for his father's lost donkeys.

5-14 On his servant's advice, Saul seeks Samuel for direction.

15-17 Beforehand, the Lord tells Samuel to anoint Saul as King

18-24 Samuel welcomes & dines with Saul.

25-27 Samuel privately speaks to Saul.

1 Samuel 10

1 Samuel anoints Saul as king.

2-8 He prophesies to him of 3 confirming signs as he returns.

9-13 Saul's heart is changed; he prophesies among the prophets.

14-16 He meets his uncle but does not tell him about the kingdom

17-24 At Mizpah, Saul is chosen as king by lot.

25 Samuel reads the rules of the kingdom.

26-27 Saul returns to Gibeah; people's attitudes to him differ.

1 Samuel 11

1-2 Nahash, the Ammonite, offers the elders of Jabesh-gilead appalling conditions for peace.

3-4 They appeal to the rest of Israel for help.

5-11 Hearing it, Saul rallies the people to defeat the Ammonites and deliver Jabesh-gilead.

12-15 Saul is confirmed as king at Gilgal.

1 Samuel 12

1-5 Samuel addresses Israel on his own integrity;

6-11 he outlines God's past deliverance of them from oppressors

12-18 & chides them for now wanting a king, warns them to be obedient and as a sign, asks God to send a thunderstorm.

19-25 He encourages them to serve the Lord who is faithful & warns them against wickedness.

#### 1 Samuel 13

1-2 Saul, 40 years old, chooses his troops.( his total reign was 32 years)

3-4 Saul summons the Israelites to Gilgal against the Philistines whom Jonathan had attacked.

5-7 A great army of Philistines assemble at Michmash; Israel is afraid.

8-10 When Samuel is delayed, Saul offers the sacrifice.

11-15 Samuel reproves him; Saul's kingly line will not continue.

16-23 The Philistine tactics in their 3 pronged raids and in leaving the Israelites with no iron weapons.

#### 1 Samuel 14

1-14 Unbeknown to Saul and his army, Jonathan and his armour bearer leave and miraculously kill 20 Philistines, bringing fear.

15-23 Saul and his army, plus those hiding, seeing the enemies' confusion, attack and defeat them.

24-26 Saul puts the men under oath not to eat till evening.

27-30 Jonathan unwittingly breaks the curse.

31-35 At the end of the day, the weary fighters eat animals with blood; Saul restrains them and builds an altar.

36-44 Jonathan, found by lot to have eaten, is to die.

45-46 The people intercede for his rescue before Saul.

47-48 Saul also fought Moab, Ammon, Edom & the Amalekites.

49-52 Saul's family.

#### 1 Samuel 15

1-6 Samuel sends Saul to destroy the Amalekites.

7-9 Saul does but spares king Agag and the best of the spoil.

10-11 The Lord is angry.

12-23 Samuel confronts Saul with his disobedience and God's rejection of him.

24-31 Saul asks pardon but is rejected as king.

32-33 Samuel executes Agag.

34-35 Samuel and Saul part forever; Samuel grieves over Saul.

#### 1 Samuel 16

1-5 The Lord sends Samuel to Bethlehem to anoint a new king of the house of Jesse.

6-13 Out of his brothers, David is anointed; the Spirit of the Lord comes on him.

14 The Spirit of the Lord leaves Saul; an evil spirit terrorises him

15-23 David is appointed Saul's musician to quiet him and to be his armour bearer.

"Psalms of praise written by David

Psalm 8. singing of the Lord's majesty and man's dignity.

Psalm 19 praises about the glorious works and words of God.

Psalm 23 acknowledges the Lord as his shepherd who gives goodness and loving kindness.

Psalm 29 ascribes glory and strength to the Lord and His voice.

1 Samuel 17

1-11 Goliath, the giant Philistine, challenges Israel in the valley of Elah.

12-21 David is sent by Jesse to give provisions to his brothers at the battlefield.

22-25 He hears Goliath's taunt; the Israelites are afraid.

26-37 David volunteers to go against Goliath, confident the Lord will deliver him.

38-50 David kills him with a slingstone in the Lord's name.

51-54 The Philistines flee, pursued by the Israelites.

55-58 David is brought before Saul.

1 Samuel 18

1-5 Jonathan loves David

6-16 Saul increasingly dreads David the more he prospers.

17-25 Saul, hoping to have the Philistines kill him, offers his daughters in marriage for a dowry of dead Philistines.

26-30 David agrees to the conditions, fulfills them and marries Michal.

Psalm 11

In the court of Saul when his friends warn him to flee, speaking of the Lord as a refuge for the upright.

1 Samuel 19

1-7 Saul instructs Jonathan & his servants to kill David; Jonathan persuades his father to be reconciled.

8-11 David again defeats the Philistines; aroused, Saul throws his spear at David.

12-17 Michal saves David.

Psalm 59 David prays for deliverance to God, his stronghold, when Saul sent men to watch his house to kill him.

1 Samuel 19:18-24 David escaped to Samuel at Ramah; those sent by Saul and Saul himself, prophesy.

Psalm 12

A prayer for help against the treacherous.

1 Samuel 20

1-10 David consults Jonathan about his father's anger and his safety.

11-17 Jonathan covenants with David

18-23 They plan what to do.

24-34 Saul is angry with Jonathan over David.

35-42 Jonathan signals David of his danger; they affectionately part.

Psalm 31

Calls on the Lord, his strength in time of distress, to deliver him from his enemies and praises Him for His good