

To <u>obey</u> is better than <u>sacrifice</u>

When it comes to obedience, God wants <u>100%</u>

God desires <u>substance</u> over <u>style</u>

When it comes to obedience, <u>No one</u> is <u>100%</u>

1 SAMUEL (NAMED AFTER THE KEY FIGURE)

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KEY THEMES The kingship of God and the establishment of the monarchy in Israel

1 SAMUEL 12:22

"For the LORD will not forsake his people, for his great name's sake, because it has pleased the LORD to make you a people for himself."

KEY VERSE

SYNOPSIS:

1 Samuel is a historical book outlining the transition from the period of the judges to the anointing of the initial king of Israel. Throughout the story, we see God's people begging for a king. Samuel seeks the Lord through prayer and petition and anoints Saul as Israel's first king. Yet, as the story continues, we see David rise from the ranks of shepherd to soldier to king. As most epic stories, we see power struggles, deep friendships, loyalties questioned and serious drama. But within the pages, we also see God's sovereignty, providential guidance and power.