

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study

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1 Samuel 11:12-12:25

1. What happened in our last week's Bible Study?
 - a. The Ammonites came to attack Jabesh Giliad.
 - b. The men of Jabesh were going to surrender, but the Ammonites would not accept surrender without jabbing out their right eye and bring disgrace on Israel.
 - c. When Saul heard, the Spirit of the Lord came on him powerfully.
 - d. 330,000 Israelite men slaughtered the Ammonites.

2. What happened in verse 11:12 (see also 10:27)? _____

How did Saul respond in 11:13? _____

What did Samuel do in 11:14-15? _____

3. What did Samuel say to Israel in 12:1-3? _____

How did the people respond in 12:4? _____

4. What would happen if you ask the people around you (or those that God has called you to lead) to evaluate your character and actions like Samuel did? _____

5. What does Samuel say to the people of Israel in 12:6-22?
 - a. He establishes a pattern from Israel's history...God saves them when they cry out, but eventually they forget about him.
 - b. He points out that God has saved them again and given them the king that they wanted.
 - c. He uses these points to remind them to "...fear the Lord and serve and obey him and do not rebel against his commands...."
 - d. He commanded thunder and rain from the Lord, though it was not the season for it and the people were afraid and stood in awe of the Lord and of Samuel.
 - e. They repented for asking for a king.
 - f. He gives them the answer...despite their sin in the past.

6. What does Samuel tell the people after they repent in 12:20-21? _____

How does he say God will respond to them in 12:22? _____

7. What does he say to them in 12:23? _____

8. How might we apply this to our lives as faithful servants of God? _____