

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

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1 Samuel 8

1. What do we learn about Samuel's leadership at the end of chapter 7? _____

2. What happens now in 8:1-2? _____
What do we learn about Samuel's sons in 8:3? _____
Does this sound familiar? _____
3. What happens in 8:4-5? _____
How did Samuel respond to the elders of Israel, according to 8:6? _____

How did God tell Samuel to handle this request, according to 8:7-9?
 - a. "...it is not you they have rejected, but they have rejected me as their king."
 - b. They have rejected me just as they have since I brought them out of Egypt...ouch!
 - c. "...listen to them; but warn them solemnly and let them know what the king who will reign over them will claim as his rights."
4. What, according to 8:10-17, will the king claim as his rights?
 - a. He will take your sons and make them serve with his chariots and horses...
 - b. He will take others to plow his ground and reap his harvest.
 - c. He will take others to make weapons of war and equipment of r-his chariots.
 - d. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers.
 - e. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive groves and give them to his attendants.
 - f. He will take a tenth of your grain and of your vintage and give it to his officials and attendants.
 - g. Your male and female servants and the best of your cattle and donkeys he will take for his own use.
 - h. He will take a tenth of your flocks, and you yourselves will become his slaves.
5. What does Samuel tell the people will happen when the king has taken all this from them, according to 8:18? _____

How will God respond? _____
Doesn't that sound harsh? Yes_____ No_____ Explain. _____
6. How did Israel respond to Samuel's warnings, according to 8:19-20? _____

7. What does God tell Samuel to do about all of this, according to 8:21-22? _____

8. Do you think God ever gives us what we want even though it is not his will and it is not best for us? _____
Have we come to regret the things that we asked for when his warnings came true? _____
