

Bible Study Notes w/b March 26th 2017
1 Samuel 16 1-13 The Lord looks at the heart

Saul was rejected by God as king because he had turned away from God. He did not acknowledge God as THE KING. But as our reading begins, Saul is still king. He lives until chapter 31.

Read 1 Samuel 16 v1-13

1 v1 When have we come across Bethlehem and Jesse in our Bible readings in the last month or so?

2 v1-3 Can you work out exactly what Samuel is doing here and why? Why has Samuel got oil and a heifer with him?

3 v4-5 Why do you think the elders in Bethlehem 'trembled'?

4 v6-7 What mistake does Samuel make here? Are there lessons for us?

5 v8-10 How do you think Jesse's sons felt as they passed before Samuel? Do you think they, or Jesse, knew what was going on?

6 v11-13 Why do you think David was not with his brothers? Is the choice of David surprising to you? Why is it important that David was both anointed and the Spirit of the Lord came upon him?

7 There are many things we can discuss from this passage:-

- Just why was David chosen?
- How is David's reign a turning point in the OT?
- Who was great David's greater son?
- In what ways do we judge people by outward appearance?
- Who is King in our lives?

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