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SERIES: I Samuel, Part 1 (The Heart of a Leader)

THURSDAY

OPEN

Have you ever been so scared that you wanted to run and hide? You knew that God wanted you to do something, but you felt so inadequate that you just wanted to disappear. You thought I can't speak; I can't do it. I'm incapable of doing it. O, Beloved, listen to me carefully. If God has chosen you then God has equipped you and God has provided you with what you need. That's what we'll see today, in 1 Samuel, chapter 10.

PART ONE

Beloved, we are learning such wonderful, wonderful truths from the lives of others. These stories are true stories. This is not fiction. This is not something that someone sat around a campfire and devised in their mind and wrote down. We are studying about real people. And we're watching God at work in their lives, and there is so much to learn. You are going to be so excited at the lessons that are coming our way in 1 Samuel as we look at Saul, and then as we look at David and as we watch Samuel in the mix of all

this. Now remember Samuel is a judge, a judge that is ruling over Israel, a judge who is old, a judge who has been told by the people of God we don't want a judge anymore; we don't want God to rule over us. We want a king like the other nations. Well God is in the process now of giving them a king. He's warned them about their request and he's told them what it's going to cost them. But right now we're just in the process of God putting His finger on this king and anointing this king to be a ruler over His inheritance. Let's look at it, 1 Samuel, chapter 10. "Then Samuel took the flask of oil, poured it on his head, [on Saul's head and] kissed him and said, "Has not the Lord anointed you a ruler over His inheritance?"(1Samuel 10:1) Now we have to remember that this is the man that God picked. Saul did not know he was going to be picked. Samuel did not know who it was going to be until God told him, and we read about that in 1 Samuel, chapter 9, verse 16. Now Samuel has done what he's been told by God to do. Now, when he does this I want you to see something, because it's very important. In verse 1: "... 'Has not the Lord anointed you [you Saul] a ruler over His [over God's] inheritance?"(1Samuel 10:1b) Next to that verse in your observation work sheet or in your Bible, and if you've been studying with me for a while you now know to come to the table so to speak or the desk or wherever you're studying, because you've downloaded this program, and you're listening to it; you've learned to come with a pen and with colored pencils. All right, and next to verse 1 of chapter 10 you want to write in parenthesis, Psalm 100, verse 3. "... 'Has not the Lord anointed you a ruler over His inheritance?"(10:1b) What is His inheritance? Well Psalm 100, verse 3 says this: "Know that the Lord Himself is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves...;"(Psalm 100:3a) In other words, we live because God created us, not because we decided we would live. It goes on to say, "... We are His people and the sheep of His pasture."(100:3b) So you and I belong to God. We didn't bring ourselves into existence. God brought us into existence. God made us. God created us and we are to live under Him. And now what Saul is learning is that God has anointed him as a subruler over His people. And His people are His people Israel. Verse 2: "When you go from me

today...,” now Samuel’s speaking, “...then you will find two men close to Rachel’s tomb in the territory of Benjamin at Zelzah...;”(1Samuel 10:2a) “...and they will say to you, ‘The donkeys which you went to look for have been found. Now behold, your father has ceased to be concerned about the donkeys and is anxious for you saying, what shall I do about my son? Then you will go on further from there, and you will come as far as the oak of Tabor, and there three men going up to God at Bethel will meet you, one carrying three...[kids, that’s three goats], another carrying three loaves of bread, and another carrying a jug of wine; and they will greet you and give you two loaves of bread, which you will accept from their hand. Afterward you will come to the hill of God where the Philistine garrison is...;’”(1Samuel 10:2b-5a) Now what’s happening here? Well God has just anointed Saul as the ruler, and He wants to give him confirmations that what happened really happened. I want you to know that this is no fluke and Samuel is no quack or some weird man that’s out as a self-appointed prophet. This is really happening and this is really from God. And the way that you are going to know that is there’s going to be a confirmation. The first confirmation is in verse 2. The second confirmation is in verse 3. The third confirmation is in verse 5. And what I did is I double-underlined it. “...Rachel’s tomb in the territory of Benjamin at Zelzah...;”(10:2b) and then verse 3: “...you will come as far as the oak of Tabor...;”(10:3a) double-underlined it in green. “...you will come to the hill of God where the Philistine garrison is...;” double-underlined it. In other words, your father’s concerned about you. He’s not concerned about the donkeys anymore. You’re going home when you get to this point, when you get to this point, when you get to this point, this is what’s going to happen. So you’re going to know; I’m telling you now so that you’re going to know that this is God. Well this is what the Word of God does. The Word of God, when you and I read it tells us truth. And then we see the opportunity to live it out. All right now, verse 5: [“When you come to the Philistine garrison”]...it shall be as soon as you have come there to the city, that you will meet a group of prophets coming down from the high place with harp, tambourine, flute,

and...lyre before them, and they will be prophesying.”(10:5) All right now, what you need to do is every time I come to the word prophet or prophesying I draw a green megaphone. And I do that because it’s my symbol of them speaking for God. I mean they stand there and they pronounce the Word of God. So I draw a green megaphone and I color it yellow because a prophet is a person who speaks for God. Verse 6: “Then the Spirit of the Lord will come upon you mightily, and you shall prophesy with them and be changed into another man.”(10:6) All right that word prophesy is naba, n-a-b-a, and it means to speak or sing by inspiration. It’s to speak for another. All right now, when is he going to prophesy? He’s going to prophesy when the Spirit of the Lord will come upon him mightily. Well every time you come to a reference to the Spirit of God you want to mark it. Now obviously I don’t mark every reference to God because my Bible would be marked up too much and it would be hard to read it. This is why I always suggest that you use just color if possible or color combinations. But when I come to a reference to the Spirit of God I mark, and if you have the study guide, if you’ve gone to preceptsforlife.com and downloaded it, then you see that when we mark God, if I’m going to mark Him I mark Him in a triangle. If I mark the Spirit of God, which I always mark because there’s so much misunderstanding on the Holy Spirit, then I take one side of the triangle. I draw the flat baseline, then come up with the other side of the triangle on the left hand side and I put a cloud there. And I do it in purple because that’s the color of royalty, and then I color it yellow because I color God yellow. All right, and that’s because He’s the light. Then the Spirit of God, so you want to mark it, will come on you mightily and you shall prophesy with them and be changed into another man. Now listen, this is what the Spirit of God does. The Spirit of God changes us. I think about 2 Corinthians, chapter 5, verse 17: [“If any man, if any woman be in Christ Jesus, if any child, any teenager be in Christ Jesus, he or she is a new creation. Old things have passed away. All things have become new.”](2Corinthians 5:17) You see what distinguishes you and me from the rest of the world, as children of God is the indwelling Spirit. The Spirit is

given to us. Well now in these days, before Jesus Christ came, before Jesus Christ died on the cross, before He was buried, before He was resurrected, the Holy Spirit did not permanently, listen to me carefully; did not permanently indwell believers. Only after Jesus came and died and was buried and was ascended did the Holy Spirit indwell believers. And we can see this in John, chapter 7. And it's important for you to see. John 7, verse 38. I'm going to go back to verse 37. (Laughter) What is this statement that he said? You will seek Me and will not find Me or where I am you cannot come. Now on the... I want to go back to verse 37. "Now on [the day,] the last day, the great day of the feast...,” this is the Feast of Tabernacles or Booths. "...Jesus stood and cried out saying, ‘If any [man] is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, From his innermost being [shall] flow rivers of living water. But this He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; [but] the Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.’”(John 7:37-39) What does that mean? Well we're going to look at it in just a minute after you and I take a break. But I just want to remind you, download your study guide, preceptsforlife.com, and I'll see you right after this very important announcement. I don't want you to miss a thing we have for you.

PART TWO

Welcome back my friend. I left you at a very important passage in John, chapter 7. I want you to understand about the Holy Spirit indwelling man, because we've just looked in 1 Samuel, chapter 10 at the Holy Spirit going to come upon Saul so that Saul prophesies and is changed into another man. But I want you to see and understand that the Holy Spirit in those days could come and go, but not after Jesus was raised from the dead. Now let's go back to John, chapter 7. And you would want to mark in your Bible the references to the Holy Spirit because remember we want to see everything that we can learn about the Holy Spirit. And then in my Bible in the margin, and I have a New Inductive Study Bible, so I have wide margins, so that I

can mark the text. I have a Bible that tells me what the key words are and how to mark it and, and leaves me a place for a chapter theme. And at the end of every book of the Bible it has an At-A-Glance Chart. This is the Bible that you need. It's a unique Bible among all Study Bibles because it does not give you the interpretation of the text, but helps you discover how to understand God's Word for yourself, so that you know that you know. So it's a wonderful Bible and I tell you once you get it I don't think you'll ever want to use any other Bible. If you have one and you want to use it as a commentary that's fine, but you want to learn truth for yourself. Well in the wide margin I have written next to verse 39, Spirit, and then 14, verse 16 and 17, because I want to run some cross-references on the Holy Spirit. Now what Jesus is saying is this, that when you believe in Him, in verse 38 of John 7, that "... 'From [your] innermost being will flow rivers of living water.' But this He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; [not yet] for the Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified." (John 7:38b-39) In other words, Jesus had to die on the cross. He had to be buried. He had to be raised from the dead and He had to ascend into heaven. In Acts 2, verse 32 and 33 show you that the Spirit couldn't come until Jesus got to heaven. Well if you go to John, chapter 14 in verse 16 and 17 then Jesus is telling them in verse 16 and 17 that He's going away, but they're going to get another helper. Look at it, verse 16. Jesus is speaking: "I will ask the Father,...He will give you another Helper." (14:16a) That word helper is *paracletos*, p-a-r-a-c-l-e-t-o-s, and a *paracletos* is a person summoned to one's aid. In other words, I've got somebody that's coming to your rescue, coming to your aid, is coming to be a helper. Now watch what it says, "...that He may be with you forever..." (14:16b) Now this another Helper, another is the word *allos* in the Greek, and it means another of the same kind, another Helper of the same kind as Jesus has. But Jesus is going to leave His disciples; He's going to go to heaven. So, "...[God is going to send]...another Helper, that He may be with you forever; that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not [behold] Him..." behold the Spirit of truth, "...or know

Him...,” know the Spirit of truth. “...but you know Him...,” the Spirit of truth, “...because He...,” the Spirit of truth, “...abides with you and will be in you.”(John 14:16b-17) And who is this Spirit of truth? Verse 26 of the same chapter, John 14: “But the helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He...,” the Helper, the Holy Spirit, “...will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.”(14:26) So what do you do when the program’s over? You get your Bible and you mark every reference to the Holy Spirit starting with Helper in verse 16. And what you see is after the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ the Holy Spirit comes into every single believer and dwells in every single believer and makes us a new creature in Christ Jesus. All right now, 1 Samuel, chapter 10. He has given him four things that are going to happen to him, four confirmations that the Lord has anointed him. The fourth one is seen in verse 6: [“The Spirit’s going to come upon you. You’re going to prophesy; you’re going to be changed into another man.”](1Samuel 10:6) Verse 7: “[And] It shall be when these signs come to you...,”(10:7a) So we know that these are signs. Now I mark signs in red in the shape of a stop sign, okay. “[And] It shall be when these signs come to you, do for yourself what the occasion requires, for God is with you.”(10:7) Why? He’s given you His Spirit. “And you shall go down before me to Gilgal; and behold, I will come down to you to offer burnt offerings and sacrifice peace offerings. You shall wait...,” now this is very important; “...You shall wait seven days until I come to you and show you what you should do.”(10:8) Just remember that, you shall wait seven days. Mark the time phrase. “Then it happened when he [Saul] turned his back to leave Samuel, God changed his heart...;” Mark heart there. “...and all those signs...,” mark signs, “...came about on that day. “[And then] they came to the hill there, behold, a group of prophets...,” mark prophets with a megaphone, “...met him; and the Spirit of God...,” mark it again, “...came upon him mightily, so that he prophesied among them.”(10:9-10) Prophecy, you got a megaphone there. “[And] It came about, when all who knew him previously saw that he prophesied now with the prophets, that the people said to one another, ‘What has happened to

the son of Kish? Is Saul also among the prophets?’ [And] A man there [answered and] said, ‘Now, who is their father?’ Therefore it became a proverb: ‘Is Saul also among the prophets?’ [And] When he had finished prophesying, he came to the high place. Now Saul’s uncle said to him and to his servants, ‘Where did you go?’ And [they] said [to him], ‘To look for the donkeys. When we saw that they could not be found, we went to Samuel.’ [And] Saul’s uncle said, ‘Please tell me what Samuel said to you.’ So Saul said to his uncle, ‘He told us plainly that the donkeys had been found.’ But he [didn’t mention to] him about the matter of the kingdom which Samuel had mentioned. Thereafter Samuel called the people together...at Mizpah; and he said to the sons of Israel, ‘Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, “I brought Israel up from Egypt...I delivered you from the hand[s] of the Egyptians...from the power of all the kingdoms that were oppressing you. But you...today rejected your God, who delivers you from all your calamities and [all] your distresses; yet you have said, ‘No, but set a king over us!’ Now therefore, present yourselves before the Lord by your tribes and by your clans.”’ Then Samuel brought all the tribes of Israel near, and the tribe of Benjamin was taken by lot.”(1Samuel 10:11-20) We’ll talk about that in the next program. “Then he brought the tribe of Benjamin near by...families, and the Matrite family was taken. And Saul the son of Kish was taken; but when they looked for him, he could not be found.”(10:21) They took the lot but he couldn’t found. “Therefore they inquired further of the Lord, ‘Has the man come here yet?’ So the Lord said, ‘Behold, he[’s] hiding himself beside the baggage.”(10:22) There he is and he can’t believe it’s happening to him. He is hiding. He never dreamed that God would ever do this. Oh, Beloved, quit hiding in the baggage. Get out. God’s going to use you. We’ll talk about it in the next program.